



Deep Cleaning the Aviary

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Important Reminders!

BEFORE taking any tools from the shop to the yard, soak them in buckets of Rescue for 10 minutes.

Anything else, e.g. a bottle of Simple Green, needs to stay outside of the yard at all times.

Any towels used should go directly into the dirty laundry.

Please do NOT remove any medicines or ointments.

Please do NOT dump or add food from/to bowls.

Found an egg? Crack it and let the birds eat it! (They are yummy treats and the hens get some calcium back!)

Make sure people and equipment are securely inside the airlock before opening the door. Do not let any goats or sheep into the aviary.



Equipment and Supplies Needed

Equipment to take from **the shop** and **People Barn**:

- Simple Green
- Bucket and scrub brush for each volunteer
- Long handled scrub brush
- Push broom
- Step stool (can be found in room where shavings are stored)
- 8-10 small towels
- Ice scrapers for the feces
- Pressure washer for astroturf



Instructions on how to deep clean the aviary

1. Empty barn of all loose items.

Waterers, bowls, and small nesting boxes – put them into the airlock making sure the goats and sheep can't get to them.

2. Strip barn of all shavings in all Areas. Use garbage cans to collect.

This includes the Feed Room, isolation (ISO) stalls, and wooden nesting boxes (there's a wooden nesting box outside).

3. Dust and remove cobwebs. Brooms will work for this.

Get as high up as you can. Check windows, corners, crevices, ISO stalls, and Feed Room.

4. Scrape all substances, including fecal, off all surfaces (perches, walls, flooring, and nesting boxes). Peahens nest up high so don't forget up there!





5. **Scrub walls (including the ISO stalls) with Simple Green.** Focus on areas that have feces and other substances that are dried/caked on the walls. If you see any other objects, like nesting boxes, that need scrubbing, please get those too.
6. **Replenish barn floor and any Peahen potty spots in vacant ISO stalls with thin layer of clean shavings.** Floors should not be seen under shavings, however shavings on floor are just used for catching poop.



7. **Replace nesting boxes with fresh shavings.** Add **extra** shavings for nesting ladies. Don't forget outside nesting box.



- 8. Scrub out waterers (ensure there is no mildew buildup in crevices)**
- 9. Replenish with one (1) indoor water jug on *each* side + one (1) outdoor water jug on Side A (left side) and replace water jugs to their proper locations.** All waterers rest on top of a surface above ground level (i.e. bricks) so shavings are less likely to end up in water tray.
- 10. Empty left-over feed bucket** (the larger round bucket in Feed Room). Place in dirty shavings trash can.
- 11. Sweep, scrape, and water down patios.** Use edge of shovel to scrape. Push-broom is great for scrubbing feces off when spraying down.
- 12. Scrub dirty surfaces in outside areas with Simple Green.** This includes toys, table where water sits, etc.
- 13. Clean turf.** Shake off, spray with water in pressure washer. Rake can help with getting extra debris out.
- 14. Rake the yards (both sides – A and B).** Get rid of as much fecal matter and debris as possible. Even out all ground.
- 15. Leave trash cans on Side A patio upside down where originally found.**
- 16. Enrichment! Check enrichment calendar in the enrichment room and document in enrichment binder.**