

Support your flock through key stages

Poultry farming is one of the most efficient animal production processes, and it's important to equip a flock so that it's able to withstand the stresses and strains of intensive farming.

Whether it is rapid growth, intensive egg production, the burden of diseases such as coccidiosis, or key stages such as vaccination or thinning, there are inevitable stress points in the production cycle where the toll on the flock becomes evident.

Supporting your flock with the right phytogenic components at these times will keep them fighting fit through the most challenging phases, ensuring minimal losses and maximum production.



Salixofen: a powerful phytogenic solution



Salixofen is a carefully selected mixture of phytogenic components that work together to provide flocks with an effective anti-inflammatory action and natural form of pain relief, easing potential strain that will suppress growth and development.

This super-charged, natural tonic contains powerful ingredients that have been scientifically proven to have significant nutritional benefits.



The key ingredients that make up Salixofen

Willow - (salix alba)



Willow is considered to be a 'natural aspirin'. Its key ingredient, salicin, is found in the bark, and has anti-inflammatory, analgesic, antiseptic and antipyretic (anti-fever) properties which can be incredibly useful across a wide range of conditions and infections in the shed. In particular, it can help to combat oxidative stress in the livers of broilers, reduce the effects of heat stress and improve gut microflora, which in turn boosts the bird's ability to withstand harmful pathogens.

Turmeric - (Curcuma longa)



The curcumines in turmeric, of which curcumin is the most potent, are well known for their anti-inflammatory, anticarcinogenic and antioxidative properties. Often described as a 'nutraceutical', turmeric is a powerful natural compound that can be used to combat infection and boost performance. Used as a feed additive it has been shown to stimulate growth performance, protect against renal stress (caused by the exposure to aflatoxins in the broiler diet) and help to reduce disorders related to the intestines, liver and stomach.

Oregano - (origanum vulgare)



Oregano contains essential oils, thymol and carvacrol, as well as beneficial tannins. Together, they perform a powerful antibacterial, antifungal, antiparasitic and antiviral function – ideal for stressed, exhausted flocks that may be susceptible to disease.

Meadowsweet - (Filipendula ulmaria)



Meadowsweet contains anti-inflammatory compounds, including salicylic acid and tannins. It is often used to alleviate joint pain, calm inflamed stomachs, promote a good acid/alkaline balance within the digestive system and improve liver function. It can also improve resistance to hypoxia, which often affects rapid-growing broilers. Hypoxia, or reduced-oxygen conditions, can negatively impact feeding, growth and overall fitness of the bird, sometimes leading to woodybreast syndrome. Meadowsweet is also part of a group of plants called adaptogens, which can help the body respond to stress and fatigue.

Black pepper – (Piper nigrum)



The piperine in black pepper works in tandem with turmeric, enhancing absorption of its active ingredient, curcumin. In addition to this synergy with turmeric, a large number of experiments have confirmed the standalone beneficial properties of black pepper. In poultry nutrition, black pepper is valued for its ability to stimulate feed intake and for its antimicrobial, anti-inflammatory, antioxidative and anti-coccidiostatic effects on the body.

Propionic and formic acid - (organic acids)



Propionic and formic acid have strong antibacterial effects and are widely used as Salmonella-control agents in feed and water supplies for poultry. The presence of these acids in the gut of the bird helps to inhibit its colonisation by pathogens and the production of toxic metabolites. Propionic acid has also been shown to increase the digestion of protein and improve absorption of nutrients such as Calcium, Potassium, Magnesium and Zinc, thereby assisting with intermediary metabolism.



Benefits of using Salixofen



Powerful ingredients safeguard optimum health



Helps to reduce the effects of heat stress and other types of stress



Supercharged natural immune support



Beneficial in reducing feather pecking



Appetite stimulant



Provides the bird with a boost at critical stages



Supports nutrient absorption



Easily administered and quick to take effect



Supports good gut health (and reduces wet litter)



Cost-effective

How to use Salixofen

Salixofen can be used as a natural boost at any time where appetite or feed intake might have decreased.

We recommend using Salixofen at the first slight sign of distress, for instance a decline in water intake. Salixofen is quickly easily administered through the drinker lines at 1L / 1000 litres of drinking water for 5 to 7 days. A notable change can often be seen within a few days. Where a sharper decline is noted, the dose can be safely increased to 2 L / 1000 litres for the same amount of time.



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