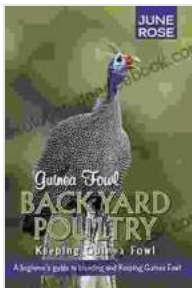


Guinea Fowl Backyard Poultry Keeping: A Comprehensive Guide

Guinea fowl are a unique and fascinating type of poultry that can be a great addition to your backyard flock. They are known for their distinctive appearance, with their blue-gray plumage, white spots, and a red or blue head and neck. Guinea fowl are also very vocal birds, and their loud, raucous calls can be heard from a long distance away.



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While guinea fowl can be a bit noisy, they are also very beneficial to have around. They are excellent at pest control, and they will eat a variety of insects, including ticks, fleas, and mosquitoes. Guinea fowl are also very good at foraging for food, and they will often find their own food in your backyard.

Characteristics of Guinea Fowl

Guinea fowl are medium-sized birds, and they typically weigh between 2 and 4 pounds. They have a long, slender body with a long neck and a small head. Their plumage is blue-gray with white spots, and they have a red or blue head and neck. Guinea fowl are very vocal birds, and their loud, raucous calls can be heard from a long distance away.

Guinea fowl are social birds, and they live in flocks of up to 100 birds. They are very protective of their young, and they will often attack predators that come near their nest.

Housing Guinea Fowl

Guinea fowl need a coop that is at least 4 feet by 4 feet, and it should be at least 2 feet tall. The coop should be well-ventilated, and it should have a door that is big enough for the birds to get in and out of easily. The coop should also be predator-proof, and it should have a roof that will protect the birds from the elements.

In addition to a coop, guinea fowl also need a run where they can exercise and forage for food. The run should be at least 10 feet by 10 feet, and it should be fenced in with a wire mesh that is at least 2 feet tall. The fence should be buried at least 1 foot underground to prevent the birds from digging out.

Feeding Guinea Fowl

Guinea fowl are omnivores, and they will eat a variety of foods. They will eat insects, seeds, fruits, and vegetables. You can feed your guinea fowl a commercial poultry feed, or you can give them a mix of scratch grains, cracked corn, and oyster shells.

In addition to their regular diet, guinea fowl also need access to fresh water at all times.

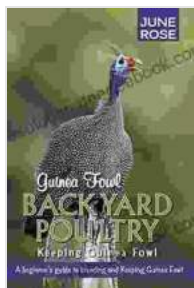
Health Care for Guinea Fowl

Guinea fowl are generally healthy birds, but they can be susceptible to a few different diseases. These diseases include:

- Fowl pox
- Coccidiosis
- Newcastle disease
- Avian influenza

It is important to vaccinate your guinea fowl against these diseases, and you should also keep them quarantined from other poultry if they show any signs of illness.

Guinea fowl can be a great addition to your backyard flock. They are unique and fascinating birds, and they are very beneficial to have around. If you are thinking about adding guinea fowl to your flock, be sure to do your research and make sure that you can provide them with the care that they need.



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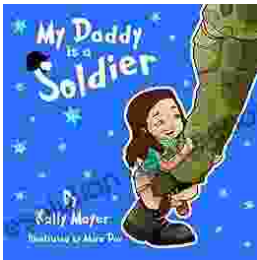
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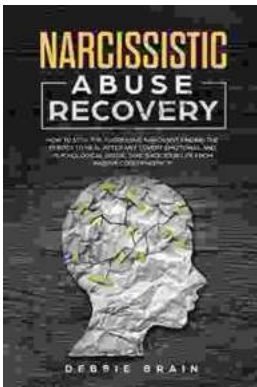
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