

with common salt. The coarsely granulated kind sold for agricultural purposes does very well for pigeon lofts. When pigeons are kept in lockers or pole houses, the mortar mixtures must be sheltered from the rain, but free of access to the birds, and salt must be constantly within their reach, and renewed as fast as it is eaten. A good plan is to fasten a cake of common salt or a lump of rock salt against a wall or other convenient place, where the pigeons will soon find and enjoy it. A few oyster shells, burned so as to make them brittle, and then pounded and mixed with a little salt, form an excellent substitute for mortar rubbish. Salt or salt mixtures should not be supplied in too large quantities to pigeons that have been kept long without such substances, as they are apt to injure themselves by eating too much. They are also very fond of strong scents, and so that they are powerful are not particular as to their quality, lavender and asafetida being equally appreciated. This is probably the reason of their fondness for the strongly favored "cats" in popular esteem. But there is no real necessity for such nasty compounds, if they are kept supplied with old mortar and salt and indulged with lavender, of which they are singularly fond. In the southern part of France where that plant grows wild, the pigeons break off the flower stalks just above the leaves and beneath the flowers and garnish their nests with them. A few lavender bushes for their pleasure should be planted in your garden. It is considered a good plan to scent a pigeon house before stocking it.

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