

Avian DNA Sexing

Some species of birds are really easy to sex based purely on their sexual dimorphism (essentially their difference in eye colour, plumage or body shape), however some species are notoriously difficult to sex just by examining them.



It is often necessary for those people with multiple animals to know the sex of their animals either to avoid breeding or to attempt to allow breeding to occur. Many clients also just like to know the sex of their pet so that they can decide on an appropriate name!

We recommend the use of DNA sexing for avian species as it is a minimally invasive safe method that provides accurate results. DNA sexing has been shown to provide over 99% accuracy in determining your birds sex and avoids the risk of an anaesthetic to surgically sex your bird.

A very small blood sample is taken from your bird's toe and is then sent away to a lab in South Africa to be analysed. We generally get the results within a week, however it can take up to 2-3 weeks depending on when you come in to see us.

We recommend this service as part of a check up consultation. For more information please don't hesitate to contact us.

