



National Finch and Softbill Show

Classifications

Adopted by NFSS – 2009

For Exhibitors and Affiliated Clubs:

All finch and softbill entries must be supplied by the exhibitors with appropriate food and water. No drinker or waterers are to be removed from cages during judging. Local show officials must not allow the exhibition of federally or locally illegal entries.

Young Class

Old Class

SECTION ONE – SOFTBILLS

Nectarines

100	Hummingbirds	101
102	Dacris	103
104	Sunbirds	105
106	Honeycreepers/Sugarbirds	107
108	White Eyes (Zosterops)	109
110	Bananaquits	111
112	Any Other Variety (AOV)	113

Mynah Birds

114	Indian Hill Mynahs	115
116	Dumont Mynah	117
118	Pagoda Mynah	119
120	Any Other Variety (AOV)	121

Small Softbills

122	Starlings	123
124	Bulbuls	125
126	Pekin Robin	127
128	Silver-eared Mesias	129
130	Thrushes	131
132	Tanagers	133
134	Leaf birds	135
136	Barbets	137
138	Any Other Variety (AOV)	139

Large Softbills

140	Toucans	141
142	Toucanettes	143
144	Touracos	145
146	Jays & Magpies	147
148	Hornbills	149
150	Any Other Variety (AVO)	151

Young Class**Old Class****SECTION TWO – ZEBRA FINCHES****Normal Zebra**

200	Normal Gray Cock	201
202	Normal Gray Hen	203

Fawn Zebra

204	Fawn Cock	205
206	Fawn Hen	207

Chestnut Flanked White Zebra

208	Chestnut-flanked White Cock	209
210	Chestnut-flanked White Hen	211
212	Chestnut Flanked Continental Cock	213
214	Chestnut Flanked Continental Hen	215

Other Variety Zebras

216	White	217
218	Pied	219
220	Silver	221
222	Cream	223
224	Penguin	225
226	Light back	227

Rarer Variety Zebras

228	Black-breasted	229
230	Orange-breasted	231
232	Crested, any color	233
234	Black-faced	235
236	Black Cheeked	237
238	Gray / Fawn Cheeked	239
240	Phaeo	241
242	Florida Fancy	243
244	Any Other Variety (AOV)	245

SECTION THREE – GOULDIAN FINCHES

Enter bird in highest class number that covers any of the bird's visible features

Normal Gouldian

300	Red-headed Normal Cock	301
302	Red-headed Normal Hen	303
304	Black-headed Normal Cock	305
306	Black-headed Normal Hen	307
308	Orange-headed Normal Cock	309
310	Orange-headed Normal Hen	311

Young Class**Old Class****Normal Gouldian with Other Color Breast**

312	Red-headed Normal with White Breast	313
314	Black-headed Normal with White Breast	315
316	Orange-headed Normal with White Breast	317
318	Normal Gouldian with Other color Breast	319

Yellow Bodied Gouldian

320	Yellow Bodied with Purple Breast	321
322	Yellow Bodied with White Breast	323
324	Yellow Bodied with Other Color Breast	325

Blue Bodied Gouldian

326	Blue Bodied Gouldian	327
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Any Other Variety

328	Dilute	329
330	Silver	331
332	Any Other Variety (AOV)	333

SECTION FOUR – OTHER AUSTRALIAN FINCHES**Pintailed Type**

400	Normal Shafttail	401
402	Mutation Shafttail	403
404	Masked	405
406	Parsons	407
408	Any Other Variety (AOV)	409

Grass finches

410	Diamond Sparrow	411
412	Mutation Diamond Sparrow	413
414	Cherry Finch (Plumhead)	415
416	Bicheno (Owl)	417
418	Star Finch	419
420	Mutation Star Finch	421
422	Painted	423
424	Crimson (blood Finch)	425
426	Any Other Variety (AOV)	427

Waxbill/ Mannikin

428	Chestnut-breasted	429
430	Pictorella	431
432	Any Other Variety (AOV)	433

Young Class**Old Class****SECTION FIVE – INDO-PACIFIC FINCHES****Parrot Finches**

500	Blue-faced	501
502	Red-headed	503
504	Pintailed Nonpareil	505
506	Any Other Variety (AOV)	507

Java Rice Birds

508	Normal Gray	509
510	White	511
512	Pied (Calico)	513
514	Cinnamon	515
516	Any Other Variety (AOV)	517

Finches of India and Indonesia

518	Indian Silverbills	519
520	Spice	521
522	Strawberry	523
524	Green Avadavat	525
526	White-hooded Nun	527
528	Pallid Nun	529
530	Black-hooded Nun	531
532	Tricolor Nun	533
534	Timor Zebra	535
536	Any Other Variety (AOV)	537

SECTION 6 – SOCIETY FINCHES**Society Finches**

600	Chocolate – Self	601
602	Chocolate and White	603
604	Dilute Chocolate	605
606	Self Fawn	607
608	Fawn and White	609
610	Dilute Fawn	611

American Chestnut Society

612	Self Chestnut	613
614	Chestnut White	615
616	Chestnut Dilute	617

American Solid White

618	Solid White	619
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American Crested Society

620	Chocolate Crested	621
622	Fawn Crested	623
624	Chestnut Crested	625

Young Class		Old Class
	Any Other Variety American Society	
628	AOV	629
	European Society	
630	Euro Chocolate	631
632	Euro Chestnut	633
634	Euro Fawn	635
636	Euro Grey (Choc, Chestnut, Fawn)	637
638	Dilutes (all)	639
640	Clearwings (all)	641
642	Ino (Creamino, Grayino)	643
644	Albino	645

Japanese Society

646	Pearl	647
648	Crested	649
650	Frilled (all)	651
652	Combination	653
	(Crested, Chest or Neck-Frilled)	

Any Other Variety European or Japanese Society

656	Any Other Variety (AOV)	657
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SECTION SEVEN – EUROPEAN FINCHES

European Finches

700	European Goldfinch	701
702	Chaffinch	703
704	Greenfinch	705
706	Linnet	707
708	European Siskin	709
710	Any Other Variety (AOV)	711

SECTION EIGHT – FINCHES OF AFRICA

Small Waxbills

800	Gold-breasted	801
802	Orange-cheeked	803
804	Red-eared	805
806	St. Helena	807
808	Firefinch	809
810	Lavender	811
812	Aurora (Crimson-winged Pytilia)	813
814	Yellow-winged Pytilia	815
816	Any Other Variety – (AOV)	817

Young Class		Old Class
	Large Waxbills	
818	Cordon Bleu	819
820	Blue-capped	821
822	Black Cheeked Waxbill	823
824	Melba	825
826	Violet-eared	827
828	Purple Grenadier	829
830	AVO	831
	Twinspots	
832	Dusky	833
834	Dybowski's	835
836	Green-backed	837
838	Peter's	839
840	Any Other Variety (AOV)	841
	Mannikins	
842	Bronze-winged	843
844	Magpie	845
846	Silverbills	847
848	Pearl-headed Amadine (Silverbills)	849
850	Cutthroat	851
852	Red-headed Finch	853
854	Blue-billed (Black and White)	855
856	Any Other Variety (AOV)	857
	Weavers and Whydah	
858	Napoleon Weaver	859
860	Orange Bishop Weaver	861
862	Scaly-crowned Weaver	863
864	Any Other Variety (AOV) Weaver	865
866	Pintailed Whydah	867
868	Paradise Whydah	869
870	Combassou	871
872	Queen Whydah	873
874	Red-throated Whydah	875
876	Fisher's Whydah	877
878	Any Other Variety (AOV) Whydah	879
	Serins	
880	Green Singing	881
882	Gray Singing	883
884	Yellow-rumped	885
886	St. Helena Seedeater	887
888	Any Other Variety (AOV)	889
	Buntings of Africa	
890	All Buntings of Africa	891

SECTION NINE – FINCHES OF AMERICAS**Buntings of the Americas**

900	All Buntings of the Americas	901
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Siskins

902	Black-headed Siskin	903
904	Any Other Variety (AOV)	905

Small Finches of the Americas

906	Cuban Melodious	907
908	Blue-black Grassquit (Jacarini)	909
910	Chestnut Bellied Seed eater	911
912	Chestnut Throated Seed eater	913
914	Black-white Seed eater	915
916	Parrot Billed Seed eater	917
918	Any Other Variety (AOV)	919

Larger Finches of the Americas

920	Rufous-collared	921
922	White – collared	923
924	Saffron	925
926	Crimson Pileated	927
928	Black-crested Finch	929
930	Variable Seed eater	931
932	Any Other Variety (AOV)	933

Cardinals

934	Red-Crested (Brazilian)	935
936	Green	937
938	Pope	939
940	Yellow-billed	941
942	Any Other Variety (AOV)	943

SECTION TEN – DOVES AND QUAIL**Dove and Quail**

1000	Normal Diamond Doves	1001
1002	Mutation Diamond Doves	1003
1004	Cape Doves	1005
1006	Green-winged Doves	1007
1008	Zebra Doves	1009
1010	Normal Ring-necked Doves	1011
1012	Mutation Ring-necked Doves	1013
1014	Button Quail	1015
1016	Any Other Variety (AOV)	1017

Young Class

Old Class

SECTION ELEVEN – PAIRS

All Softbill Pairs

1100 Softbill Pairs 1101

All Finch Pairs

1102 Zebra Pairs 1103

1104 Gouldian Pairs 1105

1106 Australian Pairs 1107

1108 Indo-Pacific Pairs 1109

1110 Society Pairs 1111

1112 European Pairs 1113

1114 African Pairs 1115

1116 Finches of the Americas Pairs 1117

All Dove and Quail Pairs

1118 Dove and Quail Pairs 1119

NOVICE AWARDS:

An exhibitor who has not placed three times in the top ten in the Finch and Softbill Division at a show(s) judged by an NFSS judge is a Novice Exhibitor for NFSS purposes. Novice places a “N” in the upper right corner of the cage tag.

JUNIOR AWARDS

An exhibitor who is 16 years or younger is a Junior Exhibitor for NFSS purposes. Novice places a “Jr” in the upper right corner of the cage tag.

Awarding Points at NFSS Shows

Exhibiting NFSS members and the birds they have exhibited automatically receive points at a show where an NFSS judge is judging. These points are determined by the number of birds shown in the division. All points are awarded in accordance with the schedule below and are not official until the official show report is received and the points are recorded by the NFSS Points Director.

National Finch and Softbill Society POINTS SCHEDULE

Entries	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th	10th
20-29	3	2	1							
30-39	4	3	2	1						
40-49	5	4	3	2	1					
50-59	6	5	4	3	2	1				
60-79	7	6	5	4	3	2	1			
80-99	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1		
100-119	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	
120-139	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
140-159	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2
160-189	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3
190-219	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4
220-259	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5
260-299	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6
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Note: In order for a softbill, finch, or dove to attain points, it must have been judged against all the birds in the Finch and Softbill Division. Points will not be allowed in a specialty show where finches are not judged against softbills or other birds within the division.