

Cornish Cross: Printable Feeding & Growth Charts

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Raising Cornish Cross chickens can be a rewarding experience due to their rapid growth and feed efficiency. This guide provides essential feeding and growth charts to help you plan and manage your flock. Following these charts and tips will help ensure your birds grow to their full potential while staying healthy.

Key Facts & Crucial Tip

- **Total Feed Needed:** Approx. 8.5 kg per bird
- **Target Weight (8 Weeks):** Approx. 3.5 kg live weight
- **Crucial Tip:** After Week 2, restrict feed for 12 hours overnight to prevent serious health issues like heart failure and leg problems. This controlled feeding schedule helps manage their rapid growth rate, which can otherwise put a strain on their bodies.

Cornish Cross Feeding Chart

Age (Weeks)	Feed Type	Protein %
0 - 2 weeks	Broiler Chick Starter	22-24%
3 - 5 weeks	Broiler Grower	20-22%
6 - 9 weeks	Broiler Finisher	18-20%

Cornish Cross Growth Chart

Age (Weeks)	Expected Live Weight	Expected Dressed Weight
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1 week	0.2 kg	0.14 kg
2 weeks	0.5 kg	0.35 kg
3 weeks	1.0 kg	0.7 kg
4 weeks	1.5 kg	1.05 kg
5 weeks	2.0 kg	1.4 kg
6 weeks	2.5 kg	1.75 kg
7 weeks	3.0 kg	2.1 kg
8 weeks	3.5 kg	2.45 kg
9 weeks	4.0 kg+	2.8 kg+

General Management Tips

- **Housing:** Ensure birds have adequate space to move around, as overcrowding can lead to stress and health problems.
- **Water:** Always provide fresh, clean water. Rapid growth means they need more water than other breeds.
- **Monitoring:** Regularly check birds for signs of leg issues, lethargy, or other health concerns.

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