



Pigeons, why so unpopular?



Wild and city pigeons are part of our ecosystem and contribute to **biodiversity**.



Pigeons are very intelligent and always find their way back home, up to thousands of km!

Exceptional orientation



The pigeon has long been very useful to humans! Its domestication has started around 5000 BC, for **meat, eggs, fertilizer and as a messenger.**



The pigeon is a symbol of love, loyalty and **peace.**



Pigeons are dangerous because they transmit a lot of diseases?

No!

The risk of infection is not higher than with other animals, such as cats and dogs. As with any animal, hands should be washed after contact.



Feeding = prohibited in many municipalities. *Get informed.*



Their faeces are white and slimy?

Yes, but...

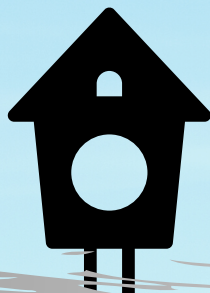
... just because the pigeons are tempted to eat our unhealthy dirt. This gives them diarrhea.

Healthy faeces = solid and darker.



Let's not leave our waste lying around!

Some municipalities have a dovecote where the pigeons can stay and feed. Excessive breeding of pigeons is prevented.



What should I do if ...

... I see a sick pigeon? Contact Staddauwen Lëtzebuerg asbl or another animal protection association.

... I find a dead pigeon? Put in a bag, then in the bin (residual waste).

In the case of a high number of victims: inform the municipality.

