

Determine Their Age

By identifying their age, you can help determine if what the bird is doing is a normal part of their life cycle.



Hatchling: Newly hatched, no feathers or light down feathers, eyes closed, unable to hold up head for more than a few seconds



Nestling: Feathers beginning to cover body, eyes open, can sit upright and hold head up



Fledgling: Almost fully feathered, alert, hopping on ground, may take short flights

If the bird has obvious injuries, contact your local wildlife hospital.



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