

## Broken Blood Feather

## To Do List

Hopefully, you've got a bird first aid kit. Or, at least a human first aid kit. Grab the following items:
A clean towel or baby blanket
Clean, sterile gauze
<ul> <li>Styptic Powder, ordinary baking flour, or cornstarch to clot the blood</li> </ul>
Vet Aid Spray
Your vet's phone number
Now, take your bird to a small, quiet area. The last thing you want is for your bird to try to escape and flap around out of fear. Gently restrain your bird. Stay calm and talk calmly to your bird.
Using a gauze pad or two, gently apply pressure to feather area for 10 - 15 minutes. Check the wound to see if the bleeding stopped, or at least, dramatically slowed down.
If your bird is still bleeding, apply Miracle Care Kwik Stop Styptic Solution, ordinary baking flour or cornstarch liberally to the area. Grab a fresh gauze pad and continue applying more pressure for 10 minutes or so.
<ul> <li>If your bird is still bleeding profusely, call your avian vet or an emergency clinic.</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Rinse the affected area with Vet Aid Spray to make sure that you're treating the correct feather. Then reapply clotting agent.</li> </ul>
If the bleeding has slowed down to a trickle or stopped all together, grab your clean bird hospital cage and line the bottom with a clean, soft towel. Make sure that the perch is low and place your bird inside. You can use a heat lamp or heating pad to warm your bird up.
Keep your stabilized pet in a dimly lit, calm area where it can rest and start to settle down. Offer easily accessible water and food. Check on it every 15-30 minutes looking for any signs of blood.
<ul> <li>Once your bird has been stabilized for at least an hour, you can resume normal routines. If your bird hasn't stabilized in an hour, call your vet or jump to my blog,</li> <li>Stabilizing A Sick Bird</li> </ul>