

Bailey's Exotic Silkies DNA LAB

SAMPLE COLLECTION INSTRUCTIONS

Thank you for choosing Bailey's Exotic Silkies DNA LAB. Proper sample collection ensures accurate DNA results and helps prevent delays.

Supplies: Nail clippers • Alcohol wipes • Gloves • Blood card, coffee filter or PCR tube • Labeled bags • Marker • Styptic powder or cornstarch

Before You Begin

- Work in a clean area.
- Clean clippers between every bird and allow alcohol to dry completely.
- Label every sample before collection.
- Keep each bird's sample separate.

Blood Sample (Recommended)

1. Trim only the tip of one toenail.
2. Collect 1–2 tiny drops onto a blood card, coffee filter, or PCR tube.
3. Do not overfill. Excess blood can interfere with PCR testing.
4. Allow blood cards or coffee filters to dry completely.
5. Apply styptic powder or cornstarch.

Feather Sample – Collect 4–6 freshly plucked chest/body feathers with the quill attached. Do not use naturally shed feathers or chick fluff. Allow feathers to dry before packaging.

Egg Membrane – Remove the inner membrane from a freshly hatched shell, allow it to air dry completely, then place it into its own labeled bag.

Packaging – Package each bird separately using one labeled bag per bird. Ensure all samples are completely dry before sealing.

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