



Avoid an Unpleasant Surprise. Winterize!

Bob and Barry Akins of the pond department located within Concord Feed in Pleasant Hill, California are among the most well-informed and experienced Koi authorities in northern California.

They know everything you'll ever need to know about caring for your Koi, including what it takes to keep your Koi happy and healthy during the colder months. It's called winterization and it should be something you do every autumn just like clockwork.

Sludge Happens

Sludge can cause major problems and become a real issue for you and your Koi pond during the wintertime. It will build up and make your Koi ill if you don't take measures to eliminate it.

Avoid sludge before it happens with Microbe Lift Autumn Winter Prep. It's a specially designed four-month treatment program that needs to be applied to your pond once a month, starting in October. Microbe Lift contains beneficial bacteria that breaks down sludge during the winter and it won't adversely affect your Koi.

Don't Buy Fishy Food. Go with the Very Best

When the cold months come, it's time to change the menu for your Koi. The new winter cuisine should be a recipe that contains a lower percentage of protein. It's easier for your fish to digest when they're in a more mellow mode and aren't burning as many calories.

Hikari Wheat Germ and Multi-Season foods come in both floating and sinking pellet form. They're the very best, highest quality Koi formulas on the market. Your Koi deserve the very best. So, why not give them Hikari?

Koi to the World...All Winter Long

Hikari offers some additional tips on keeping your Koi happy and healthy during the winter:

"Always control the amount fed so there is no leftover food. If you find leftovers, remove them immediately to avoid water quality problems."

"For new environments, reduce the feeding amount until your filtration system has completely cycled and developed adequate bacteria levels."

"If something unusual happens (a sudden water temperature change, unstable water quality) stop feeding completely or reduce the amount fed until the condition is corrected."



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