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confiding. There is a rather pathetic report (Nicholas 1936) of an old lady who, for many years, had been an invalid and who kept a pair in her room for four years. There was no doubt the birds recognised their mistress and at breakfast-time each morning the male bird would sing his soft fluty song, as though pleased to see her. Unfortunately, one bright, sunny morning in June the old lady died. The birds were removed to another room, but they refused to eat, and lacked all their former cheerfulness and vivacity. Fearing for the birds' health, anxious relatives placed them back in their old room. Immediately they began calling, apparently for the familiar voice that no longer responded. A few days later both birds died.

Other Names

Senegal Firefinch, Common Firefinch, Little Ruddy Waxbill, Rosy Firefinch, and Little Firefinch.

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