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## INTRODUCTION

The Ferplast Hen House 10 is a robust and durable outdoor chicken coop designed for up to 4 laying hens. Constructed from FSC-certified Nordic pine wood, it offers good thermal insulation and features a waterproof, weather-resistant roof. This manual provides essential information for the proper assembly, operation, maintenance, and care of your chicken coop to ensure a safe and comfortable environment for your poultry.

## SETUP AND ASSEMBLY

The Ferplast Hen House 10 is designed for straightforward assembly. Please follow these general guidelines. Specific assembly instructions may be included with your product packaging.

- 1. Unpack Components:** Carefully unpack all parts and verify against the included parts list. Ensure all wooden panels, hardware, and accessories are present and undamaged.
- 2. Assemble Base Structure:** Begin by assembling the main wooden panels to form the coop's base and walls. Secure connections using the provided screws and fasteners. Ensure all joints are tight and stable.
- 3. Attach Legs:** Secure the solid legs to the base of the coop. The legs are equipped with plastic caps to provide insulation from the ground. Ensure they are firmly attached for stability.
- 4. Install Internal Components:** Place the wooden perch and the metal protective grille inside the main hutch area. Install the removable dirt collection tray beneath the grille.
- 5. Assemble Nesting Box:** Attach the separate breeding compartment (nesting box) to the side of the main coop. Ensure the side door with the safety lock is correctly installed and functional for egg collection.
- 6. Attach Roof:** Secure the waterproof resin-coated roof to the top of the coop. Ensure it is properly aligned and fastened to provide maximum weather protection. The roof is designed to fully open for cleaning.
- 7. Install Ladder:** Attach the access ladder to the front entrance of the coop. This allows chickens to easily enter and exit the interior.
- 8. Placement:** Position the assembled hen house on a level, well-drained surface in a sheltered area of your garden, away from strong winds and direct, prolonged sunlight.

# HEN HOUSE 10



**Figure 1:** Diagram showing the Ferplast Hen House 10 with overall dimensions (124 cm L x 98 cm W x 110 cm H). This image illustrates the assembled structure and key measurements for planning placement.



**Figure 2:** The Ferplast Hen House 10 positioned in a garden environment, demonstrating its appearance and scale with chickens around it. This image provides a visual reference for the coop's intended use and aesthetic.

## OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

Using your Ferplast Hen House 10 is simple and designed for the comfort of your chickens and ease of use for you.

- **Chicken Access:** The front sliding door allows chickens to enter and exit the main hutch area. Open this door during the day to allow your chickens access to their run or outdoor space, and close it securely at night for their safety.
- **Nesting Area:** The dedicated breeding compartment provides a private and comfortable space for hens to lay eggs. Ensure there is adequate nesting material, such as straw or wood shavings, inside this area.
- **Egg Collection:** Eggs can be easily collected from the outside through the side door of the breeding compartment. This door is equipped with a safety lock to prevent unauthorized access and keep eggs secure.
- **Perch Use:** The internal wooden perch provides a roosting spot for your chickens, which is essential for their natural behavior and comfort during the night.



**Figure 3:** Close-up view of the nesting box with several eggs, accessible via the side door. This image demonstrates the functionality of the egg collection area.



**Figure 4:** View inside the main hutch area, showing chickens on the metal grille and a wooden perch. This illustrates the internal layout and how chickens utilize the space.

## MAINTENANCE

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Regular maintenance is crucial for the hygiene and longevity of your Ferplast Hen House 10.

- **Daily Cleaning:** Check and clean the removable dirt collection tray daily. This helps maintain hygiene and prevents the buildup of waste.
- **Weekly Deep Cleaning:** The fully opening roof with a support arm allows for easy access to the interior for thorough cleaning. Remove all bedding, scrub surfaces with a pet-safe disinfectant, and allow to dry completely before adding fresh bedding.
- **Nesting Box Maintenance:** Regularly replace nesting material in the breeding compartment to ensure a clean and comfortable environment for laying hens.
- **Wood Treatment:** Although the wood is FSC certified and the roof is treated, periodic inspection and re-treatment of the wooden surfaces with a non-toxic, pet-safe wood sealant can extend the coop's lifespan and protect against weather elements.
- **Hardware Check:** Periodically inspect all screws, hinges, and locks to ensure they are secure and functioning correctly. Tighten any loose fasteners.



**Figure 5:** The removable dirt collection tray pulled out from beneath the main hutch area. This feature simplifies daily cleaning and waste removal.

## TROUBLESHOOTING

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This section addresses common issues you might encounter with your chicken coop.

- **Water Leakage:** If you notice water inside the coop after rain, inspect the roof for any damage or gaps. Ensure the roof is securely fastened and the waterproof coating is intact. Apply a suitable sealant if necessary.
- **Pest Infestation:** Regular cleaning is the best defense against pests. If mites or other pests are present, thoroughly clean and disinfect the coop. Consider using diatomaceous earth or other pet-safe pest control methods.
- **Door/Lock Malfunction:** If the sliding door or nesting box lock becomes stiff or difficult to operate, check for debris or misalignment. Lubricate hinges and sliding mechanisms with a non-toxic, pet-safe lubricant if needed.
- **Structural Instability:** If the coop feels wobbly, re-check all assembly points and tighten any loose screws. Ensure the coop is placed on a firm, level surface.

## SPECIFICATIONS

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<b>Brand</b>	Ferplast
<b>Model</b>	Hen House 10
<b>Material</b>	FSC Certified Nordic Pine Wood, Acrylic (for some components like the tray)
<b>Overall Dimensions (L x W x H)</b>	124 cm x 98 cm x 110 cm (48.8 in x 38.6 in x 43.3 in)
<b>Internal Hutch Dimensions</b>	85 cm x 63 cm (33.46 in x 24.80 in)
<b>Breeding Compartment Dimensions</b>	34 cm x 26 cm (13.38 in x 10.23 in)
<b>Capacity</b>	Up to 4 chickens
<b>Special Features</b>	Waterproof roof, removable dirt collection tray, fully opening roof, side egg collection door, insulated legs.
<b>Weight</b>	33.8 Kilograms

## WARRANTY INFORMATION

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Ferplast products are manufactured to high-quality standards. For specific warranty details, please refer to the documentation included with your purchase or visit the official Ferplast website. Generally, warranties cover manufacturing defects under normal use. Keep your proof of purchase for any warranty claims.

## CUSTOMER SUPPORT

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If you have any questions regarding the assembly, operation, or maintenance of your Ferplast Hen House 10, please contact Ferplast customer service. Contact information can typically be found on the product packaging or the official Ferplast website. When contacting support, please have your product model (Hen House 10) and purchase details ready.

For more information, visit: [www.ferplast.com](http://www.ferplast.com)