



EXPERIENCE AT THE SERVICE OF CONSERVATION

By Reginaldo Sereno

I am Reginaldo Sereno, breeder and president of the Carduelis Brasil Club, registered with the Brazilian Federation of Ornithology (FOB) under the acronym CCB OP001. To be able to contribute with our Venezuelan friends in this project towards the Red Siskin conservation, accompanied through Mr. Enrique Azuaje Veterinary Doctor-Advisor and Ms. Arlene Cardozo Coordinator of the project, together with their team have been doing an exceptional job for the project to be successful, I would like to make my contribution with some points that I see as extremely important for the increase of Red Siskin population in the wild.

First of all, today we have a multitude of breeders of *Carduelis cucullata* and its mutations throughout the Brazilian territory, many of them supported by their clubs and a federation, this species is also bred around the world, we simply cannot confuse our captive red siskins with birds that exist in the wild, because genetically it is not the same bird, simply due to the fact that over the years these species have hybridized with various *Carduelis Spinus*, so we assume that their mitochondrial DNA is not the same as those found in nature.

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The Red Siskin through Provita has already been conserved with the intention of reintroducing it into the wild and we can further help with the associations for this increase in population and then go to the project for the adaptation and reintroduction of the species . In this regard, I suggest:

- Association with Ornithological Federations, indicating breeders trained in the reproduction of this species, receiving management advice from breeders.
- Sponsorship and search for resources.
- Exchange of researchers to learn about the management of this species in certain regions.
- Create awareness among the population about the importance of their native species not disappearing from their fauna.

This project already has repercussions throughout the world and we are here in Brazil through Carduelis Clubs and together with our Federation (FOB) through our president, Mr. Mario Henrique Simões, we are ready to participate and contribute directly to this exchange of knowledge and reproduction of Cardinals.



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