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Mr Melt

Mr Melt's story was written by Karen LeCras at [Reading Guinea Pig Rescue](http://ReadingGuineaPigRescue.com). Karen regularly uses and recommends Gorgeous Guineas products (as well as being one of our chief product testers!).

Mr Melt arrived via the RSPCA Inspector with Martha, a pregnant sow. He had very bad skin with both fungal and parasitic problems in evidence. On day one he had his Gorgeous Guineas CocoNeem Melt, his (very dirty) grease gland was cleaned with Swarfega, and he had a bath in Lice 'n' Easy shampoo. 48 hours later Mr. Melt was treated with Ivermectin to kill off the Mange Mites. He nibbled on some carrot before hiding in the house in his cage that was the last we saw of him that day.

The pimples on Mr Melt's skin were evidence that burrowing Mange Mites were present, also causing much discomfort for the guinea pig resulting in scratching. We recommend a monthly bath in Gorgeous Guineas shampoo to keep mites and other parasites under control. Louse debris was also present in the hair indicating the presence of Lice. The broken hairs were due to parasitic activity on the skin.



It is probable that the Mites originated in the dirty grease gland. A monthly clean with Swarfega would have eliminated this problem.



Dirty, crusty skin with lots of scabs.

A Gorgeous Guineas CocoNeem Melt helps to soothe the skin and sores as well as helping to eliminate surface parasites and gently lifting off all the dead skin. There were lots of little sores all over his body, the Mites had infested his head too, causing him to scratch to try and relieve the discomfort. After removing the Melt with Manuka & Neem Shampoo, things were looking better already.



Looking better after a Melt / Shampoo.



All the flaky skin has been removed by the CocoNeem Melt / Shampoo.

Gorgeous Guineas Lavender & Myrrh Lotion was applied to the sores and surrounding skin to continue the relief and keep the area moist. Within a few days, scabs were falling off leaving lovely new skin underneath. Mr Melt's skin has a bit of recovering to do still and a lot of hair to grow back but he's well on the road to recovery and a new home.



Looking Gorgeous again with the bottle of Lavender & Myrrh Lotion☺



Just three weeks later and look at the difference! Not a patch of skin is visible. When the hair is parted the skin underneath is healthy and debris free.

Since this article was written, Mr Melt made a full recovery. He was then successfully castrated by Jenny Towers at Active Vetcare in Tilehurst and subsequently rehomed with 3 lovely sows.

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