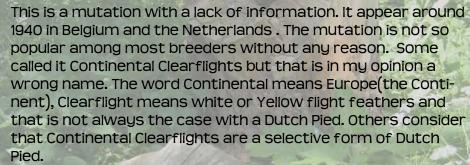
Dutch Bidier Mervilde



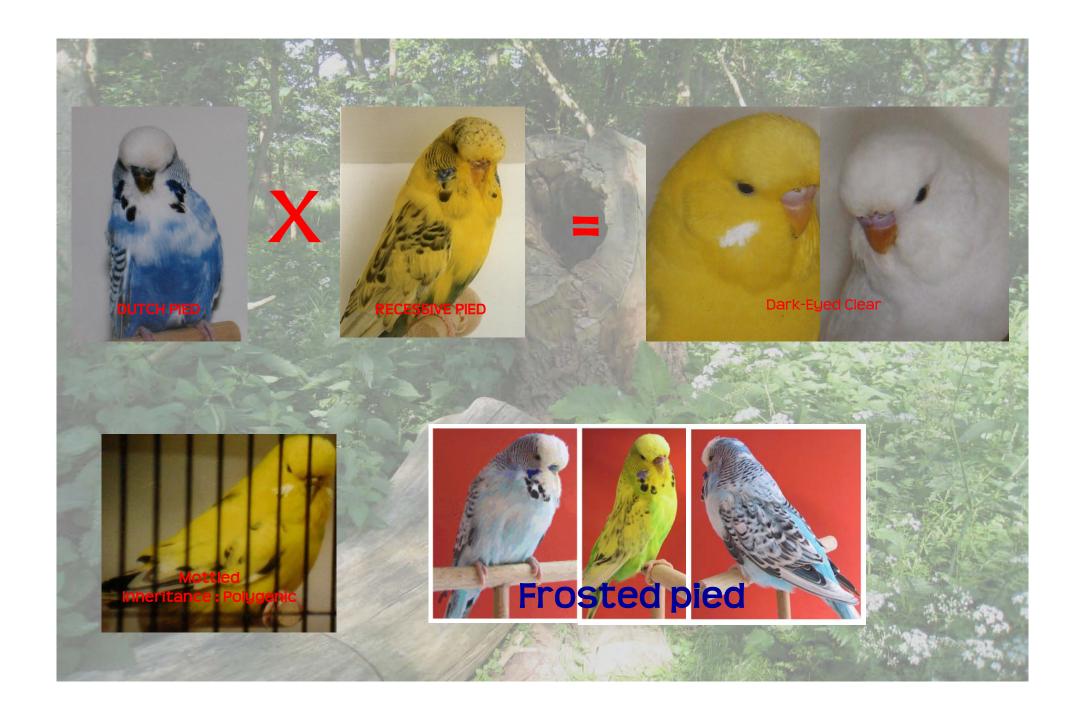
There is no prove for that.

In most Dutch Pieds the pied markings are on the chest and neck (see pictures). They have a black eye with a white iris ring. Cocks have a blue cere and show more pied markings than hens. The black on the wings looks less intensive than at Normal birds and some birds haven frosted wing markings. Breeders of Dark-Eyed Clear use Dutch Pieds in combination with Recessive Pieds to obtain Dark-Eyed Clears. By doing this they create Dutch Pieds who are split to Recessive Pied and some of these splits have no white iris ring.

Dark-Eyed Clears are pure white or yellow without any suffusion with a flesh colored cere and pink legs.







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CONTINENTAL CLEARFLIGHT

DUTCH PIED (green serie)

General body color

Rump, breast, flanks and underparts green of an even depth of colour throughout without any breaks or patches of variegation

Mask

Buttercup yellow, ornamented by six evenly spaced large round black throat spots, the outer two being partially covered by the base of the cheek patches. The buttercup yellow of the mask extending over the frontal and crown, to merge with the black undulations at the back of the head. The frontal and crown should be clear and free from all markings

Head patch

Buttercup yellow at back of head.

Markings

On cheeks, back of head, neck and wings; black with a well-defined buttercup yellow edge but having irregular patches of clear buttercup yellow or with part of the leading edge of the wing up to

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Rump,breast,flanks green of an even depth of colour throughout but broken with no more than a maximum of 50% of Total body colour area by patches of buttercup yellow restricted to the top part of the body.

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Blue in cocks, brown in hens.

Eues:

Black with a white iris.

Cheeks patches

Violet.

Primaru wing flifhts

Seven visible buttercup yellow feathers in each wing

the leading edge of the wing up to the shoulder clear buttercup yellow on an otherwise normally marked wing. Wing markings may be grizzled in appearance. All markings should be free from any intrusion of body colour.

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Feet and legs:

Blue/grey mottled, fleshy pink or a mixture of both.

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PERSONAL REMARKS

As we can read in the standard of colour from W.B.O. the difference between Continental Clearflight and Dutch Pied is situated in only one item: *general body colour*. Personally I have problems with that, better would be accepting in Dutch Pied birds that the primary wing and tail feathers could be yellow/white and normal. On the shows we don't see the mutation so mutch and as I have noticed in a lot of articles the name Continental Clearflight and Dutch Pied has been used for different mutations and that is a problem. A continental clearflight is not a Dutch Pied, some people go even futher by saying that the primary wing feathers by Dutch Pieds have the same design as on Recessive Pied. A lot of stuff to think about...

Let us keep it simple by using the standard of colours of W.B.O. and add my proposal about primary wing