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Squabs mew over crumbs, pirp at enemy brethren. Their heads slink on neck springs.

Such songs rankle the young, this cacophony of mutter-beaks and car gongs.

Columba have no grace, Prick fingers, draw blood for their bread.

The elderly must like them, walking (as they do) to wooden benches with wings spread.