



RABBIT care sheet



PET DEPOT

Do not feed your rabbit lettuce. Lettuce is mostly water & will give your rabbit diarrhea.

CAGING NEEDED

• Redwood hutch for outdoor protection or good quality wire cage for indoor/shelter areas. All cages should have a piece of plywood approximately 1/4 of the cage. This allows the bunny to sit on a smooth surface occasionally. The plywood will have to be replaced as it gets soiled. • When using shavings use aspen, pelleted or recycled. Not cedar. When cedar is mixed with urine it can give off toxic fumes. Provide 1-2 inches of bedding and change regularly to provide a clean and healthy environment. • Rabbits can be box trained.

ENVIRONMENT

Do not put your rabbit in direct sunlight or a drafty area. If the temperature reaches above 75-85 degrees bring the cage in a cooler place. Rabbits become overheated easily and make sure they have adequate ventilation. Keep your rabbit in a cool area.

DIET

• Rabbit Pellets as well as Timothy Hay. Alfalfa hay up to a year old, then Timothy Hay. • Once your rabbit has reached 4 months of age small amounts of fresh vegetables can be given daily. Dark leafy greens are best: spinach, kale, broccoli Vegetables not eaten within 24 hours should be discarded. Fresh chopped apples and carrots can be offered once a week.

WATER NEEDS

Provide fresh, clean, chlorine-free water daily.

MISC. INFORMATION

• Adjusting to a new environment is the hardest thing for a new rabbit. Limit holding for the first 5 days until your rabbit gets used to its new home. • Provide plenty of chew sticks as your rabbits teeth constantly grow. • Brush your rabbit with a soft bunny brush daily to prevent hair balls. A rabbit cannot throw up, so to aid in getting rid of hair, use Petromalt for Rabbits twice a week.

AVERAGE SIZE

12+ inches long.

LIFE SPAN

10+ years.

SHOPPING LIST FOR NEEDED SUPPLIES

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Rabbit Pellets | <input type="checkbox"/> Appropriate sized cage & cover |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Food Bowl & Water Bottle | <input type="checkbox"/> Pine Shavings or Appropriate Litter (No Cedar) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Wood Chews | <input type="checkbox"/> Alfalfa Hay or Timothy Hay |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Soft Brush | <input type="checkbox"/> Petromalt |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Litter Box | <input type="checkbox"/> Book about Rabbits |