

# Pet Care Guide Budgies

## Diet Requirements For Your Budgie!

Budgies leave the husk behind after they have eaten, so regularly check your budgies seed and remove the husk. Water should be changed daily and free of chemicals like chlorine and fluoride. A good quality bird seed should account for around 70% of your budgie's overall diet. The other 30% should consist of any of the following fresh fruits or vegetables, wash first and remove what hasn't been eaten after 24 hours: Broccoli, Corn, Oranges, Pears (please remove the seeds as they are harmful to your budgie), Peaches, Apples, Cauliflower, Chickweed and Cabbage, please remove any seeds as they are harmful to your budgie. Your Budgie also needs grit and cuttle fish for a healthy beak.

**Breeding:** Most budgies raise their own babies, usually four chicks at a time. The usual breeding season is from June through to January. At seven to ten days of age, the young birds are ringed with a leg band which shows the details of the year they were born and the nest they are from. Breeding pairs will have a breeding box on the outside of the cage and it's good for pairs to be separated from other birds to ensure pedigrees are not mixed up during breeding.

### Choosing A Cage

The cage you choose for your budgie will depend on your personal taste and the amount of room you have for your cage. Try and purchase the largest cage that is suitable so your bird has plenty of room to move around.



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