

BIRDKEEPING MADE SIMPLE

There really isn't much simplicity about keeping birds. They are very challenging and intelligent creatures; not at all like keeping a dog or cat. Since birds have the ability to fly, they inhabit nearly every part of our Earth; from oceans and frozen polar zones to steamy rainforests and barren deserts. These wide-ranging abilities and occupation of diverse habitats have allowed them to diversify into over 9,000 species. Today there are 325 species of parrots living.

I have always said there is a particular type of parrot's personality perfect for every person. So it is important to do some research and asking questions of 'bird people' (people who keep birds ~ also called *aviculturists*) to learn what type of bird would be best suited to you, and your family. It is important to include family members or even consider, if you're single, the possibility of dating or marrying someone in the future. Take the family along to look at birds...breeders are the best to purchase from as you usually get better care instructions and see the environment they grew up in. Usually breeders are good about helping you with any questions you might have after the purchase has been made. Consideration should also be given to the possibility of having children, or if you're a teenager, the fact that you may will be dating and possibly leaving for college in a few years. Birds can out live their owners. Much of the time pet birds are passed down in Wills or Trusts. After all, if a pet lives with you for 35 years, it is a big part of your family.

We have a wonderful DVD entitled "Birdkeeping Made Simple" which gives you a lot of tips on birdkeeping, and some tricks you can do to make it simpler for you. For example, having a very affectionate bird like a cockatoo requires a lot of attention and petting from you to the bird. As we scramble through our everyday lives, one of the suggestions from the DVD is to take your cockatoo with you to shower or bathe. Let the bird perch on the shower curtain rod or door; the humidity is beneficial to its skin and feathers and your bird might even want to be on your hand with the water hitting it.

The cost has been kept down to make this DVD very affordable for people. It is a little over 45 minutes long and shows the birds performing in shows; showering in their beautiful sunroom; basking in the sun; and much more.

Entertaining ideas to enhance your relationship with your bird(s) and improve the birds' behaviors and interactions with you.

Learn about the different personalities of parrots. Which bird is best for you?

Chapter Topics include:

- Which bird is best for you?
- Bathing your bird(s)
- Cage Placement
- Cleanliness of Environment
- Species-Specific Food
- Nutrition Importance
- Growing Safe Foliage
- Perch Training
- Toy Safety
- Dealing with Screaming
- Feather Picking
- Displaced Behavior
- Microchipping
- Wing Trimming

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