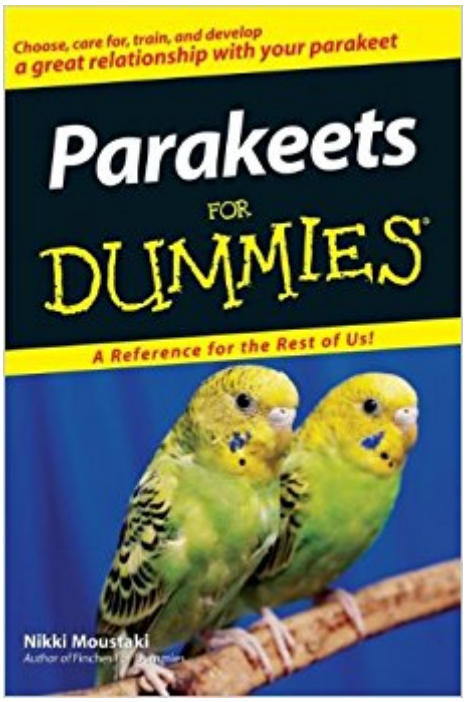
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Parakeets For Dummies



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Synopsis

Create a "home tweet home" for this colorful, lively bird This plain-English guide helps readers find the right parakeet and offers expert advice on feathering his nest, from setting up the cage and selecting foods to keeping messes at bay. Readers will discover how to groom a parakeet, recognize the symptoms of illness, and keep a parakeet safe from other pets. They will also see how to teach a parakeet to talk, understand parakeet behavior, and find an avian veterinarian.

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Nikki Moustaki (New York, NY), an avian care and behavior consultant, is the author of 12 books on bird care and behavior, including Finches For Dummies (978-0-470-12161-0) and Parrots For Dummies (978-0-7645-8353-7).

The author has done an admirable job in encapsulating the essence of owning a parakeet. There is good information here for those who may never have considered owning a budgerigar (parakeet). Reading through the rather brief volume, however, I found a disturbingly-conservative approach which suggests that the supposedly-low maintenance bird is actually a lot of work (with an almost Victorian cleaning routine and overly-cautious advice to pre-screen even branches brought in from outside for the cage). The author seems to welcome bird ownership but wants to warn prospective owners of the constant perils and responsibilities. It’s a bit disorganized in approach, despite the division of chapters and sections.The point of view of the author is full of unintended contradictory information, though this isn’t flagrant. I was shocked to find an e-mail-grade typo in one of the early

chapters. True proof-reading requires more than a spell-check run-through. Additionally, the book should be divided between those who have children in the house and those who do not.Furthermore, there is far too little information here about taming birds and different scenarios which may inform various methods.The appendix is filled with expired URL's - about half of which now point to Web hosts.In summary, though this is a good volume, I get the impression the author was hurrying to get it to press without making sure it was perfect or at least better-organized. Somehow, even the sale price of $6.99 (Kindle price) seemed a tad high, given the editing this volume. I expected better and certainly more.

As someone who thought they would never own a bird I was clueless when I was given a baby parakeet from a friend. I needed a crash course to figure out how to not kill my new pet. This book gave a great crash course in how to correctly care for and protect my parakeet, as well as a lot of very interesting tid bits on how to train and entertain my new family member.

I am a newbie about parakeets and needed a basic guide to help me treat these birds well. This book does just than. It answers questions and gives me insight into these fascinating, quirky birds.

i purchased this book after visiting my local pet store and finding myself interested in these little birds, i was given a pamphlet about them which recommended buying a book for further information. I chose this book and am very pleased with it. It had any and all the information i was looking for. I would recommend this book to anyone interested in buying a parakeet or any new owners.

Got this book for my son. It was an easy read, very informative. Arrived on time and as been a nice reference.

Easy to understand for this "dummy". The poor, starved parakeet I found while walking along the bike path in the Fla. Keys a few months ago is now a happy, healthy girl who loves to play and is beginning to try a couple of words!

I think, everyone who has or wants to have a parakeet should have this book. Instead of learning mess information from internet, this book gives essential information and I can say that it is a good reference book.

Very good book for budgie lovers. All the info you need is here pretty much. Some opinions ive read online differ, but over all a very informative read.

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