

Getting a pair of rabbits - What do you need to know?

ENVIRONMENT

- ✓ Provide a large living space with a secure shelter.
- ✓ Ensure all areas are suitably ventilated, free from draughts and sheltered from extreme weather conditions and predators.
- ✓ Rabbits are prey animals and need areas to hide and dart to. Ensure hiding spaces have two entrances/exits.
- ✓ Ensure bedding material provides warmth and protection.
- ✓ Rabbits are active animals and require lots of room to run and jump around.
- ✓ Good quality feeding hay should be readily available in all areas of their environment.

Rabbits can **NEVER** have too much space!

HEALTH

Vaccinations

Rabbits should be registered with a vet and should receive vaccinations and annual boosters against Myxomatosis and RVHD 1&2.

Skin

Part the fur to see the skin, it should be flake free, soft and smooth. Fur should be evenly distributed.

Teeth

When eating a high fibre diet, a rabbit's teeth wear down naturally, keeping them healthy. Any concerns, consult your vet.

Ears

Ears should appear clear on the inside and discharge free.

Eyes

Eyes should appear clear and bright. Discharge free and equally sized.

Nose

A rabbit's nose should be clean and dry.

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The Essentials

- Housing
- Litter Tray
- Run
- Vet Registration
- Food bowl
- Nuggets
- Water Bottle
- Feeding Hay
- Hay Rack
- Toys
- Bedding



COMPANIONSHIP

Rabbits are social animals and must be housed in suitably bonded pairs, at least.

NUTRITION

Rabbit nuggets should contain **BENEFICIAL FIBRE, PREBIOTICS, ANTIOXIDANTS, VITAMINS and MINERALS** to support a healthy rabbit.

Follow the Excel[™] feeding plan

EXCEL FEEDING HAY

1

Good Quality Feeding Hay should make up 80-90% of a rabbit's diet

EXCEL TASTY NUGGETS

2

Burgess Excel rabbit nuggets should make up 5% of their diet. These vary depending on life stage

EXCEL NATURE SNACKS

3

Treats are great for interacting with your rabbit

FRESH GREENS

4

Leafy greens should be provided daily, making up 5% of their diet

FRESH WATER

5

Essential for life. Water should always be available



Providing toys, such as tunnels, chews and balls will provide an enriching environment to prevent boredom



Did you know?

Rabbits can live up to the age of 12, breed depending