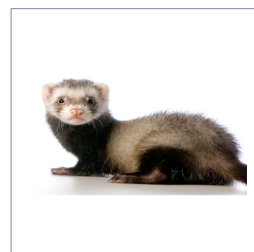


Ferret

Scientific Name: *Mustela putorius furo*

Brief Description:

A pet ferret makes for a welcome addition to any household. They are very intelligent, affectionate and love to play and explore their world. Ferrets are synonymous with humorous behavior, happiness and inquisitiveness. They will require daily exercise and attention. Ferrets have scent glands that produce a musky smell.



Average Size: Approximately fifteen inches in length.

Life Span: Lives up to eight years with proper care.

Feeding:

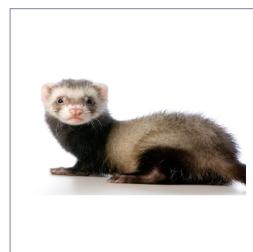
- Food provided for small ferrets, nine-months of younger, should be moistened for easy consumption.
- Fresh water, every day as well as small servings of treats.
- Always feed a high-quality ferret food containing, a minimum of twenty percent fat, thirty-four percent animal protein and four percent fiber.
- Always provide clean, filtered, fresh, chlorine-free water, changed daily.

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Housing:

- Ferret housing should feature the following.
 - o Should be fairly large.
 - o Multi-tiered
 - o Wire habitats
 - o Good ventilation
 - o Secure door
 - o Pull-out tray for cleaning
 - o Escape proof
- Your pet Ferret will also require a hammock, tube, litter box and toys.
- One-to-two inches of bedding, placed in the habitat.
- Shavings and pelleted or recycled products.
 - o Cedar bedding may cause harm and its not recommended.



Maintenance:

- Change bedding, once per week or as required
- Once per week, wash all items in the habitat
- Every other week, scrub down the habitat with mild soap and water
- Rinse and allow to dry before returning your pet ferret.

Temperature:

- Ferrets acclimate well to average household temperatures.
- Extreme temperature changes should be avoided.
- Do not keep your ferret in direct sunlight or drafty areas.

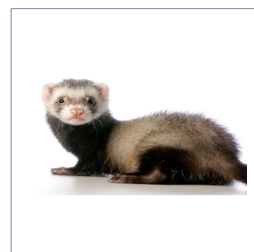
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Humidity: No special requirements

Water and Accessories:

- Use a side-attached sipper bottle for drinking.
- A large, multitered cage is required
- Include toys, litter box, food bowl, bedding, treats and hammock.



Basic Reproductive Information

- Not recommended due to health risks.

Notes and Comments:

Ferrets are intelligent, playful and mischievous. They love to dig, so be careful with house plants. Nipping is natural behavior to get attention or show defensiveness when awakened. They also love to gather and hide household items.

Regular baths are recommended, using ferret shampoo. Nails should be cut every two to three weeks. Outer ears should be cleaned using a cotton swab and ear cleaning solution.

Ferrets shed their coats twice a year