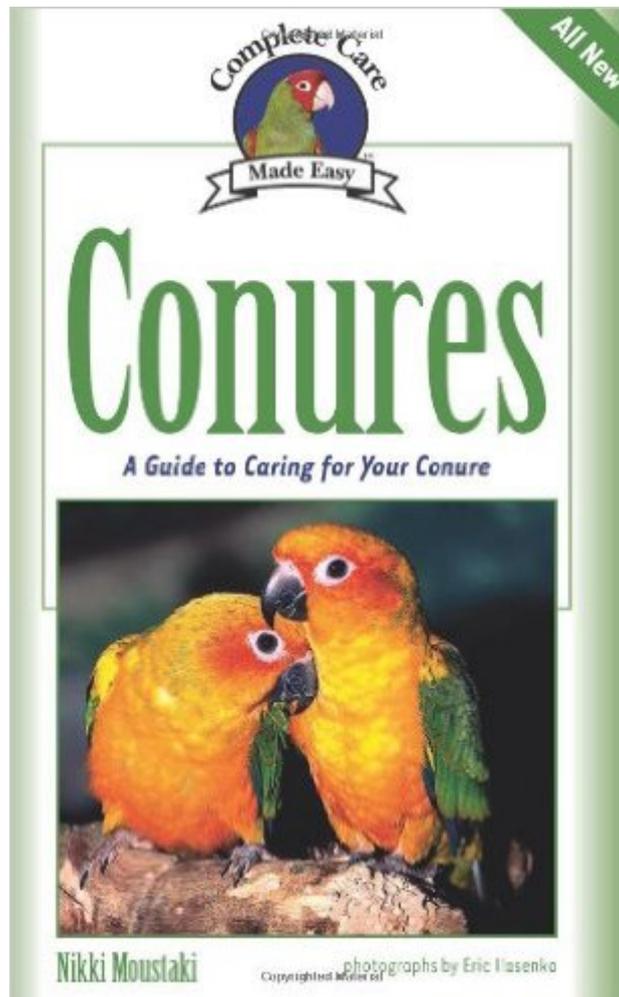


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# Conures: A Guide To Caring For Your Conure (Complete Care Made Easy)



## Synopsis

The adorable conure, named for its conically shaped tail, is one of the world's favorite parrots and the subject of this Complete Care Made Easy pet guide that presents new and experienced bird keepers with insight into every aspect of selecting, caring for, and maintaining well-behaved happy pet birds. Bird specialist and trainer Nikki Moustaki has written an ideal introductory pet guide about the boisterous conure, with chapters on the characteristics of the conure, the varied behaviors of these small macaw-like parrots in the wild, selection of a healthy, typical pet bird, housing and care, feeding, training, and health care. The chapters "The Many Conure Species" and "Selecting a Great Conure" offers potential owners excellent advice about dozens of species and how to select the best one from those available commercially, from the blue-crowned conure and the green-cheeked conure to the sun conure and red-fronted conure. In the chapter on housing and care, the author discusses selection of the right cage, placement of the cage, and all the necessary accessories. A bird's diet is critical to its ongoing health, and the chapter devoted to feeding gives the reader all the info he or she needs about choosing the best diet. The chapter "Conure Behavior and Training" gives expert advice about how to train the very talkative conure to speak and be quiet, too. The book concludes with an appendix of bird societies, a glossary of terms, and a complete index.

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## Customer Reviews

This guide is good as a general reference for Conures. I just bought my first green-cheeked conure

and needed information to get started on basic care and training for the bird. This guide is primarily designed for the owner who is undecided on what type of conure to buy, as three whole chapters are essentially devoted to helping you choose your bird. The table of contents is as follows: 1. The Boisterous Conure 2. The Many Conure Species 3. Selecting a Great Conure 4. Housing and Basic Care for Conures 5. Feeding Conures Right 6. Conure Behavior and Training 7. Keeping Your Conure Healthy

The main drawback for me was that I had already chosen a specific bird beforehand and was not interested in the description about the species as a whole, information about their history, or the differences between breeds. This information was certainly interesting, but I wanted a much more detailed book on how to care for this bird. In one chapter this book defines what an aviary is, so if you are already a bird lover as I am, you'll find that a lot of this information is old news and not helpful for those who have experience with birds. Because these birds are much more precocious and active than cockatiels and parakeets for example, it is useful to know certain things about the types of cages to buy and what types of materials to avoid. I already had a cage, but I did find this information to be helpful. The most helpful chapter was that on Feeding. It provides lists of good vegetables and fruits to provide, in addition to a whole list of foods that are toxic to birds. It also provides detailed ideas for introducing new foods and how to balance your bird's diet between seed, pellets and other foods. The Behavior and Training chapter is definitely beneficial for new Conure owners. Again, if you are a seasoned bird owner, you will find that most of this information is very general and nothing new; however, there are some decent explanations for certain behaviors of these birds and how to respond (or not respond) to them. If you want detailed or advanced information on taming and training your bird, I would not recommend this guide.

The last note I would like to make is for owners considering buying a Conure who have never owned a parrot before. These birds take a lot of time, energy, work, dedication, and attention! You really need to be prepared to spend a few hours each day with your bird. They are not birds who can sit in a cage all day and look pretty. The average life span for these birds is up to 35 years, so this is longer than people will ever spend with cats and dogs. In other words, be prepared! This bird is a lifetime investment and if taken good care of, will reap many wonderful rewards.

I was looking for a new bird to add to my family and chose a conure....I only knew a little about that specific breed and wanted to know more.....so in my research on books I happened across this one and the reviews were right.....very informative and filled me in on all aspects of proper bird care.....

An easy read. Informative for the first time bird owner. Beautiful photos to go along with text. I gave it a 4 because I'm still hunting for more information about reading bird language.

Good Basic Book. A bit old but good basic info. Shows the various conures and their traits. Good addition to my library.

Very good informative book with lots of beautiful Conure pictures. Highly recommended!

would have liked to have more information. this is just a general book

Absolutely loved this book it was great !!

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