

Rabbits are the UK's 3rd most popular pet! Do you have one?
Here are some bunny facts brought to you by rabbit info website www.saveafluff.co.uk

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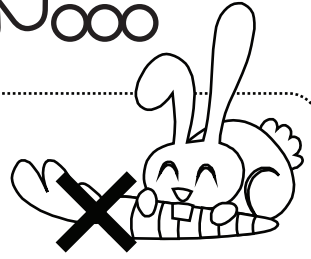
Rabbits live 8-12 years

Rabbit teeth grow 1-5mm per week but eating hay and grass helps to grind them down



A rabbit's main diet (80%) is HAY and grass! Most rabbit treats are too sugary and upset our tummies (even carrots are high in sugar). We can eat certain greens like kale and coriander, but not lettuce! Eating hay also stops our bottoms getting dirty!

Muesli style food is bad for us because we pick out our favourite bits and leave out important vitamins, but a handful of pellets a day is good, (plus yummy hay and greens).



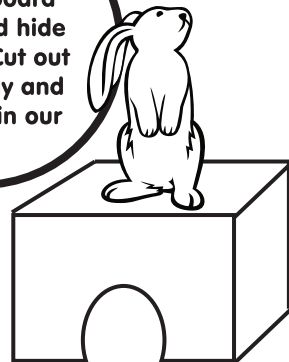
We are extremely sociable! Rabbits in the wild live in big groups. Us pet rabbits also need company of our own kind. We get very lonely without a bunny friend, even if we get lots of human attention. We must be neutered / spayed though. This prevents hormonal problems like fighting, spraying, unwanted babies, and cancer. 80% of female rabbits get cancer if unspayed



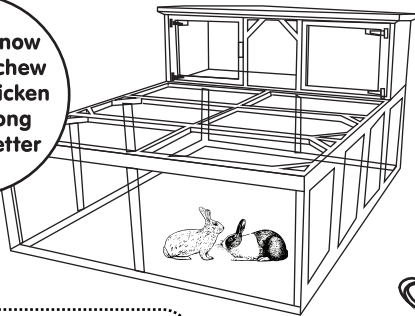
Just like cats, bunnies can be litter-trained and live indoors as 'house rabbits'!



We love to jump on cardboard boxes and hide in them! Cut out a doorway and pop one in our run



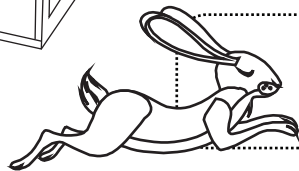
Did you know foxes can chew through chicken wire? Strong mesh is better



The minimum hutch size is 6 x 2 x 2 ft + attached run or secure area. Sheds are a good alternative to a hutch. Small hutches were invented to fatten us up for meat because we couldn't exercise in them!



We hate being picked up because it feels like a predator has caught us. But we love it when you sit on the floor with us and stroke us. We can even purr by chattering our teeth quickly!



Rabbits in the wild run 3 miles a day! Pet rabbits also need lots of exercise. An ideal run size is 8ft x 4ft x 4ft protected from the elements and with places to hide (eg. boxes, tunnels) as we get scared easily!



Our fur doesn't keep us warm in cold weather. Burrows stay a regular temperature all year, keeping wild rabbits warm in winter and cool in summer. Pet bunnies need shade and protection from both hot and cold weather.



A 'binky' is a jump and twist we do in the air when we have lots of space and are so happy we can't contain our excitement!

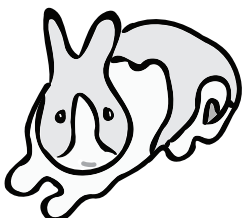
Sadly there are over 67,000 rabbits of all ages (including babies) in rescues around the UK waiting for homes.



If we stop eating or pooping that means our gut has stopped working (it's called GI Stasis) and we can die within 24 hours, so please take us to the vet ASAP! It's a common problem but treatable if you act quickly!

For useful info on keeping your pet rabbits happy and healthy, a list of safe foods, photo galleries & more, or to find your nearest rabbit rescue & view rabbits available for adoption please visit:

Look out for yearly RAW events (Rabbit Awareness Week) where vets give free health checks or 'Bunny MOTs'!



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