

GUINEA PIG

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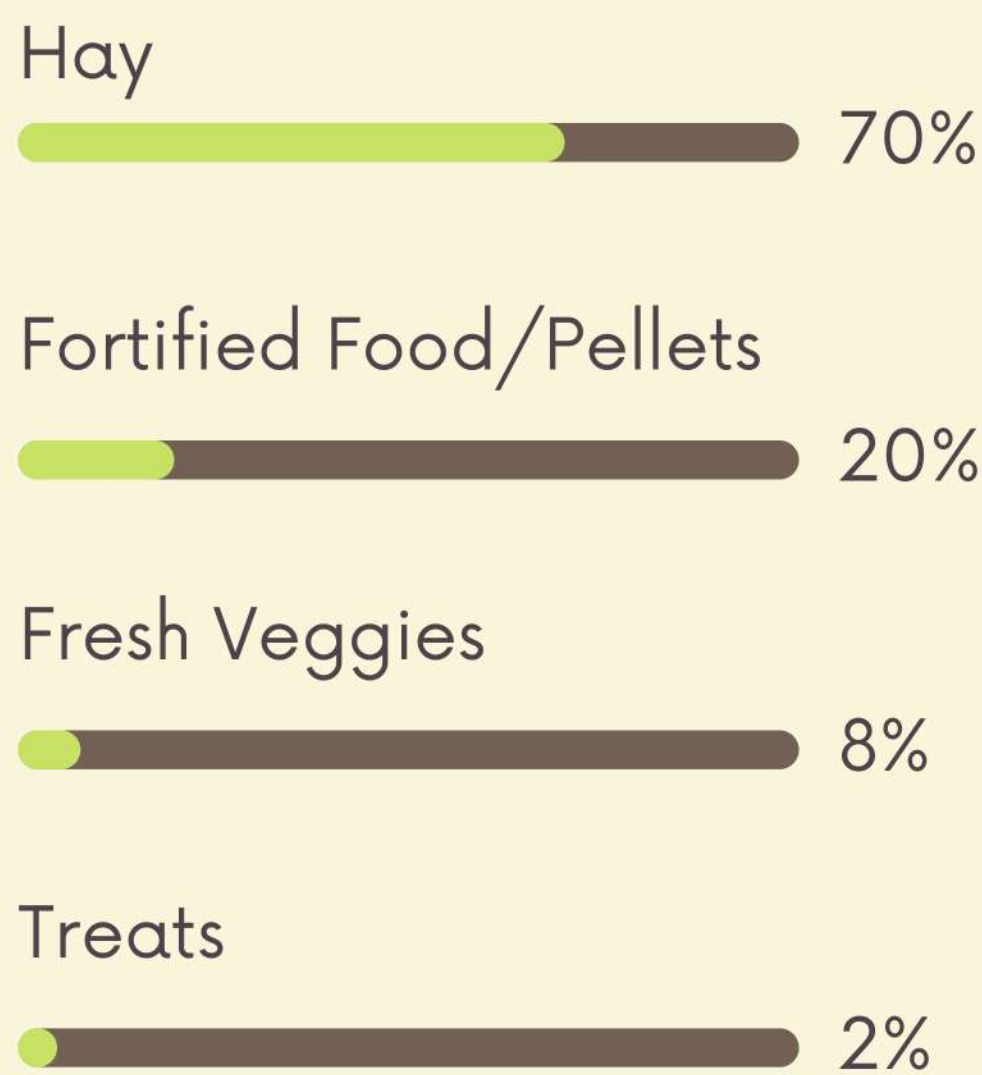


INTRODUCTION

Guinea pigs make wonderful pets, as they are cute, fun to watch, make cute noises when happy, and very social.

It's very important to ensure you get your guinea's spayed or neutered when housing multiple or keep the same sex. Guinea pigs are herd animals, so the more friends, the better! They are quite vocal, and you'll hear them chattering and chirping to you.

DIET



FOOD AND HAY

Your guinea pig should be given unlimited access to hay.

Juvenile guineas (Under 6 months) should be fed an alfalfa hay diet, including their pelleted food. This will help provide extra protein and calcium for the growing bun.

Adult guineas (Over 6 months) will eat a diet consisting of mostly timothy hay and a pelleted diet made with timothy hay. Other grass hay such as Oat, and Orchard grass can be rotated in to provide as variety in their diet as well. A good quality hay and high-fiber food is crucial for maintaining dental health, as guinea pig teeth continuously grow over their lifespan.

CARE LEVEL: INTERMEDIATE

LIFESPAN: 5-8 YEARS

WEIGHT: ~2 LBS

BREEDS: AMERICAN, ABYSSINIAN, PERUVIAN, CORONET, SKINNY PIG, SHELTY AND MORE.



FUN FACT:
GUINEA PIGS WILL MAKE SQUEAKING NOISES WHEN HAPPY, EXCITED, OR HUNGRY.

ENCLOSURE BASICS

Minimum cage size for 2 Guinea Pigs: 4' x 2'

Guinea Pigs require a lot of room, allowing them to get plenty of exercise. Make sure you guinea pig-proof your house when allowing them out. Exercise pens also work great for extending your guinea pig's space. Guinea pigs cannot produce their own Vitamin C, and therefore require additional supplementation from treats and veggies, as well as a formulated pellet with sufficient Vitamin C.

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