

Your New Bunny's Supply List

If you've never had a rabbit before, the supplies you'll need are a bit different than those for a dog or cat. Use our helpful shopping list to make sure you're ready when you bring home your new rabbit roommate.

Living Space

- Foldable exercise pen (height will depend on if your rabbit is a jumper, climber, or ground-dweller)
- Fleece blankets, washable dog pee pads, washable rugs like Ruggables, or other rabbit-safe floor covering (Something easy to clean or launder)
- Multiple litterboxes (For in the pen, for the running space, extras for when the dirty ones are being cleaned)
- Deep litterbox or tub for a hay box (optional, contains stray hay better than low litterboxes)
- Rabbit-safe litter
- Bowls for food and water (heavy ones that bunny can't flip over)
- Hidey house (Cardboard or untreated wood)
- Pet bed

Food

- Unlimited hay (Alfalfa for the young, grass hays for maturing and adult rabbits)
- Food pellets (Unlimited alfalfa for the very young, limited daily amounts of timothy-based pellets for adults)
- Fresh leafy veggies (Daily)
- Limited other veggies, fruits, and treats (Optional, helpful for training)

Mental Enrichment

- Toys
 - Nudge: balls with bells (rabbits seem to like to make noise)
 - Toss: such as hard plastic baby keys or stacking blocks
 - Chew: untreated willow baskets, balsa blocks
- Tunnels or mazes (Cardboard tubes or boxes)

Miscellaneous

- Carrier (One that also has a top opening can make it easier to lift your rabbit in and out; side doors let bunny come and go on their own)
- House Rabbit Handbook: How to live with an Urban Rabbit, Fifth Edition—the book that includes the rabbit knowledge of scores of HRS educators and rescuers
- Grooming supplies (brush, comb, nail clippers, styptic powder, flashlight)
- Rabbit-proofing supplies (such as wire covers and floorboard protectors)
- Cleaning supplies (white vinegar, dustpan, broom, vacuum)
- Lint roller
- Rescue (effective disinfectant against RHDV2)

Items Rabbits DON'T Need & Shouldn't Eat

- ✗ Salt lick
- ✗ Yogurt drops
- ✗ Food pellets with nuts or seeds
- ✗ Unsafe litters (pine/cedar shavings, silica-gel crystals, clumping or clay litters)