

 15-20 years

 11 inches

 Intermediate

 65-75° F

 Seeded Foods



Quaker parrots, also known as Monk Parakeets, are known for their comical and charming personalities and their ability to mimic many phrases and songs. They are very social animals and bond quickly with their owners. They are also quite easy to tame, if trained properly and persuaded with treats and toys. Quaker parrots, because they are so social, can actually become depressed if left alone too often. They do need a lot of attention and interaction. These guidelines are the basic necessities for your new pet. Please do your research and consult your veterinarian for further guidance.

CAGE SET UP

Quakers must have a well-ventilated home, with space for them to play. A MINIMUM 36" x 36" x 36" cage is required, with space for them to move around adequately. Several climbing ladders and perches are needed for ample exercise.

BEDDING

Horse pellet bedding or corn cob is great for the base of the bird cage and makes for easier clean up. As always, NEVER use cedar shavings with any small animal or bird, as it negatively affects their respiratory tracts.

TEMPERATURE

Temperatures for quakers should be between 65-75°F. Quakers generally don't need extra heat at night, as they can withstand a large variance in temperature. However, if you think it's too chilly, a red bulb at least 10" above the cage would be sufficient. Keep the quaker in a safe area away from drafts and doors.

FOOD AND WATER

Feed young quakers seeded cockatiel food, such as the Happy Hearts or Kaytee brand cockatiel seed. You may supplement with fresh fruits, vegetables, leafy greens and nuts. These birds also love a water bath in the bottom of the cage. Use a shallow water dish and fill with lukewarm water.

HANDLING

Quakers love social activities. They are highly intelligent, friendly birds, and thrive on much attention. Handle often with care.

CLEANING

Clean out the cage on a daily basis. Replace soiled bedding, and give fresh food and water daily. Perches, ladders, and toys must be taken out and cleaned.

ACCESSORIES

Quaker parrots enjoy a variety of perches, ladders, and toys. But do not overcrowd the cage, as they need room to forage and play. Their toys can include bells, chew toys, and natural wood toys.