Paterson Bird Store



BOURKE'S PARROT

Neopsephotus bourkii

Bourke's Parrot also known as Bourke's Parakeet or Bourke are a small and beautiful species of parrot known for their unique colors ranging from pink to black. Bourkes are an excellent companion when looking for a bird for an apartment or if you want a bird on the quieter side. This species of parrot cannot have their wings clipped as they become depressed and cannot climb like other species of bird. Additionally, Bourkes should NOT be caged with budgies due to how docile this species is. Bourkes can live in harmony with cockatiels, canaries and finches.

Lifespan

15-20+ years

Cage Size

When considering getting a cage for your Bourke, we recommend looking into a cage that will give them space to fly and exercise. Bourkes are not known to climb so giving them lots of space to fly helps them get around and make use of an entire cage.

Toys & Accessories

Like all birds, Bourkes need a variety of toys to keep them busy and entertained. Popular toys for this species are foraging toys, anything with foam, balsa and sola wood. Bourkes also love anything that has paper or things they can shred. Avoid any toys/accessories that contain rope and mirrors as these are dangerous for all parrots. Natural Perches are best for every bird species, most popular perches are made from manzanita and java wood.

Health

We recommend taking your bird/s to the vet at least once a year for a general exam to make sure they are healthy. This is the avian veterinarian that we highly recommend taking your flock to:

Paws, Wings & Scales Animal Hospital
125 Paterson Ave # 1, Little Falls, NJ 07424
973-638-1180

Diet:

-Forest Blend
(seed mix with veggies)
-DJ'S Blend
(seed mix with fruit)
-Pellets:

- Harrison's Superfine
- Zupreem Fruit Mini
- Zupreem Natural Mini
- Roudybush Crumble

-Fresh Foods:

- Spinach
- Kale
- Carrot
- Apple
- Berries
- Banana, etc.

FUN FACT

The standard plumage for Bourkes is actually a shade of black, grey, blue and a hint of pink. The most popular mutation being Rosey