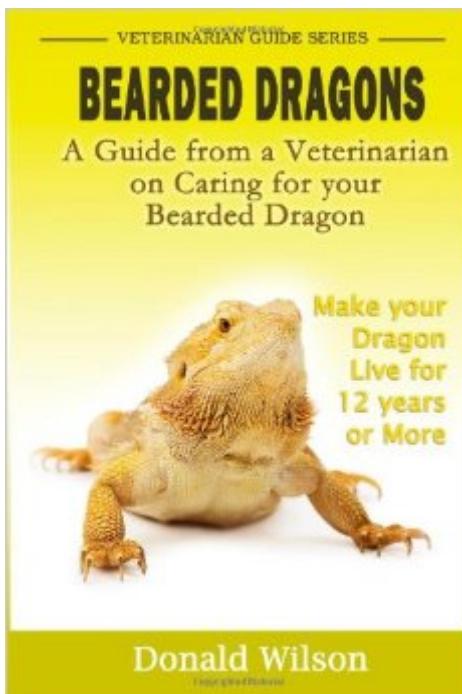


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# Bearded Dragons : A Guide From A Veterinarian On Caring For Your Bearded Dragon How To Make Your Dragon Live For 12 Years Or More



## Synopsis

Bearded dragons make great pets as they love human beings and actually like to be handled by them. These are docile creatures but they can be aggressive if their space is being invaded by another animal. Bearded dragons usually live for ten years, but with the right care, which includes the right temperature, food, and habitat, they have been known to live for longer. Bearded dragons love to eat, but they should never be overfed as this could lead to paralysis in the younger ones who may eventually die. Their diet should include insects, fruits and vegetables as they are omnivorous by nature. They are susceptible to certain diseases such as calcium deficiency, gastrointestinal and fungal infections and should be taken to a Herp veterinarian if you see them displaying the symptoms of these illnesses. Like their other reptile counterparts, the bearded dragon is also prone to bacterial diseases such as salmonella, and as such, when you bathe, touch, handle and clean their cage, you need to ensure that your hands are properly washed both before and after any of these activities. Rubber gloves are highly recommended especially for use when you are cleaning their habitat to avoid the spread of bacteria.

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About The Author: Donald Wilson loves all aquatic animals, but reptiles are his favorite. He however has a special love for turtles and bearded dragons. He grew up as an only child but he never craved another sibling due to the fact that he always had animals around him. He always wanted a turtle or a bearded dragon but his parents decided that they were much too busy to spend the time that was needed to care for these animals, and he was too young at one point, and then way too busy himself with both school and athletics by the time he got to the age where he was old enough to look after one. As such, it was not until he was out of college and settled in his career that he decided to get not one, but two turtles; a Red eared Slider and a Painted Turtle and one male and one female bearded dragon. He knows all there is to know about turtles and bearded dragons and enjoys sharing his vast knowledge about them with all those who are interested in learning about these creatures just for their general knowledge but also those who are considering them as pets. He sees his turtles as his lifetime friends as they are among the longest living creatures in existence and although they do take a lot of care, it is completely worth it to him and he

loves his friendly little bearded dragons who close their eyes when he rubs their heads.

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## Customer Reviews

I am a bearded dragon owner with a 4 year old dragon and a 1 year old dragon. When I bought my elder dragon 4 years ago, I also purchasedÂ Bearded Dragon: Your Happy Healthy PetÂ andÂ The Bearded Dragon Manual (Advanced Vivarium Systems)Â so that I could have some information on how to take care of him. Both of these books are a million times more informative than this pathetic (and EXPENSIVE) pamphlet! I bought this thinking that it might have some updated information from the older books I had but this 'newer' guide actually has much older information in it than either of the guides I had bought previously. Also, I don't know what so-called 'veterinarian' wrote this but they must have skipped most of school because this is written like a 5th grader's book report. In fact, it even contradicts itself several times. Here are the negatives:1.) SUPER SHORT - there are 24 barely filled pages (in comparison toÂ Bearded Dragon: Your Happy Healthy PetÂ which is 128), so it goes into no details at all and fails to explain things such as UVB, feeding greens/fruits/veggies or vitamins (there is only a sentence dedicated to UVB while greens and vitamins are only in the 'chapter' title! REALLY? And it doesn't even go over WHAT green foods should be given, when, what is toxic and SHOULDN'T be fed... the list goes on)2.) CONTRADICTORY - even with so little information given it still manages to contradict itself and many sentences are so poorly stated that they are confusing and unhelpful3.) OLD INFORMATION - this pamphlet is so dated it is shameful, I got better, more accurate information out of the 2001Â The Bearded Dragon Manual (Advanced Vivarium Systems)Â which obviously displays a huge information gap since this is supposedly 20124.)EXPENSIVE - page for page this 24 page pamphlet is \$8 while the 128 pageÂ Bearded

Dragon: Your Happy Healthy PetÂ is \$10... so for \$2 more you actually get a well-written, extremely informative, FULL COLOR (with helpful images like male/female comparisons), hard-bound guide.5.) POORLY WRITTEN - clearly no one cared to proof read this at all or even check references when they wrote it... it reads like a poor outline of a good guide written by a gradeschooler... and if the writer/editor didn't care about it then it reflects very badly on the validity of this book's information...6.) WHAT VETERINARIAN? - the title claims it was written by a vet, I hate to say it but no where in the pamphlet does it actually reference this individual... personally if I was a vet I would be ashamed to have my name associated with this and I know as a reptile owner I would avoid that vet at all costs... clearly he/she has NO IDEA what they are talking about...I can find no positives about this booklet...Long story short, DO NOT waste your time or money on this pamphlet. I suggestÂ Bearded Dragon: Your Happy Healthy PetÂ it really is very helpful. It has all the info you could want and goes into enough detail to cover many of the questions you may have as a new owner. More than that, if you need more specific help with your dragon a great reference site is beardeddragon.org which has many long time dragon owners who are happy to answer questions.

Very disappointed in this book, when more comprehensive books are a few dollars more. There is a short chapter on what to feed your dragon, and author states "..they eat vegetables, fruits, and insects, and should be fed from each group at each feeding", and while it specifies the insects dragons like, and should eat, it doesn't say a thing about the type of vegetables and fruits allowed, and there are several of both that shouldn't be fed at all to a dragon, and others that have to be fed in moderation or will be very to extremely harmful. Overfeeding is also dangerous. These errors in omission are blatant mistakes, and I'm sending the book back, If you take out the blank pages, and Dedication page, and About the Author page (and all the non-pet information pages), the book is 17 pages long, and to be honest, is written at the level of a 9th grade book report.

While the information in the PAMPHLET is decent but basic, this just is not worth the money. I can't believe I paid almost \$6 for less information than you can find on pretty much ANY bearded dragon website. I bought this because it said it was written by a vet (ummmm where are the credentials?) and because it said it could teach you how to help your dragon live 10-12 years. I did not see anything that specifically addressed that! This pamphlet would be a fine \$1.50, maybe \$2 item that you could pick up at a pet store if you wanted to have a real basic overview of bearded dragons, but that's about it. So many other books are WAY better than this, much longer than this, have pictures

and detailed information, and for not that much more cost. I ignorantly failed to read the reviews first, I never would have bought this if I had. Again, it's not that the info isn't correct, it's just that it's not enough content to justify the cost.

I have a bearded dragon, I was looking for a guide to have around the house instead of looking things up online. This has the most basic info in it and some of it isn't accurate!!! Beardies need daytime temperatures much higher then the 88 degrees this book recommends! They need at least 95 degrees (F) for proper digestion. I was very disappointed with this book.

I've collected half a dozen books about bearded dragons to learn about our new pet. This one is more like a pamphlet with only 17 pages in the nine "chapters", which includes black and white pictures. I'm throwing this one out. Full of typos and incorrect grammar. The best info this author offers is all on the back cover.

"Bearded Dragons: A Guide From A Veterinarian On Caring For Your Bearded Dragon, How To Make Your Dragon Live For 12 Years Or More", is a wonderful book on how to care for your bearded dragon, with many helpful tips and tricks. My bearded dragon, Draco Malfoy, is 2 and a half years old and counting, thanks to this book. For about 2 years we thought Draco Malfoy was a girl, but this book proved us wrong. There are 2 pages, reserved solely for discovering your bearded dragons gender. There are helpful pictures also. I do think that this book should address the fact that anything in the citrus family is fatal for bearded dragons. However, It does have information about iceberg lettuce being low in nutrition and therefore not a good for your bearded dragon. Rhubarb, although not included in the book is highly toxic and may kill your bearded dragon. A large section on breeding bearded dragons is featured, if you are looking for a book with breeding information included, this is the one for you! I am pleased to say that all of the information in this book is true. I highly recommend this book to beginning lizard lovers all around the world.

WOW!! I am not sure who published this book, or who edited it, but they should be fired. So, so many grammar errors. Also, I do not know any more now then I did before reading this book, which took all of 10 minutes. I also think that this book gives false information, or typos that will actually do your pet harm! DO NOT BUY THIS BOOK! I will be requesting a refund.

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