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Synopsis

Hedgehogs raised domestically make interesting pets, but require close attention to their health needs. Here is information on housing, feeding, health care, raising, and maintaining the proper environment for this small spiny mammal. Also included is information on reproduction of hedgehogs and understanding their traits. All titles in Barron's profusely-illustrated Complete Pet Owner's Manuals introduce inexperienced and prospective pet owners to the pleasures and duties of pet care. They also make ideal guides for older children having their first experiences as animal caretakers. Attractively illustrated and filled with helpful information, Barron's Complete Pet Owner's Manuals advise on purchasing, housing, feeding, health care--and where applicable, grooming and training pets. Each book is individually written by an expert--a trainer, breeder, veterinarian, or other animal specialist. These manuals cover every popular dog and cat breed, as well as bird varieties, hamsters and other small caged animals, fish varieties for aquarium hobbyists, terrarium pets, and even exotics, such as reptiles, amphibians, and scorpions. All books have 70 or more color photos, and most also have instructive line illustrations.

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Customer Reviews

I had been on a waiting list for my little spikey ball of joy for 6 months. Where I'm from (MN) hedgehogs are considered exotics and after knowing all I know now, I know why. They have so many things that are unique to them. This is a MUST READ FOR NEW HEDGIE OWNERS! I always

do my research before getting a pet, but hedgehogs proved to be the most particular in their needs. Please read this before, I repeat, before you bring him or her home. I had no idea so many things were toxic and dangerous for hedgehogs. This book tells you everything you need to know. Even how to clip their nails and what they like their houses to have in them (I prefer the term "house" over "cage").:) Good Luck, have fun!

We got a hedgehog from a lady who was having a baby so didn't want it anymore. This book helped us learn a lot! I haven't read a ton of it but my girlfriend read it all and thank goodness she did. I almost freaked out that he was dying or sick when one time he started foaming heavily at the mouth and spitting on himself while contorting his body. Like a hedgehog seizure almost. But, it turns out that it was him changing his scent or something weird? Idk. All I know is this little book will help you out for sure.

With the huge variation in the quality of internet information on this species, this Hedgehogs book is a welcome addition to any pet book library. This compact volume takes a lot of the frustration and confusion out of keeping these fascinating little creatures and is a treasure trove of reliable facts and guidelines for everything hedgehog. Well organized with checklists and tables, the information is presented in a logical sequence with great illustrations. All relevant aspects of natural history, behavior, reproduction, nutrition and housing are covered in simple detail, making it valuable for both novice and experienced small pet owners. Much of the emphasis is on keeping hedgehogs healthy by providing the proper environments for them to thrive in. While hedgehogs will be the main beneficiaries of this new book, a healthy hedgehog results in a happy owner. The quality of the information and the readable format make this a valuable book to keep on hand for frequent reference. The health section is especially well done and focuses overall on preventing problems and intervening early when something might go wrong. Well cared for animals will be healthier, live longer and be more fulfilling pets. This gem has been written by an experienced veterinarian with a wealth of knowledge about many commonly kept small exotic pets. Phillip T. Robinson, DVM Diplomate, American College of Zoological Medicine author of "Life at the Zoo" by Columbia University Press

This is a very short introduction guide to hedgehogs, probably an essential for all new hedge owners. I bought this on recommendation from Z. G. Standing Bear of The Flash and Thelma Memorial Hedgehog Rescue after adopting a hedgehog for the first time. It comes with many

informative pictures and charts, such as possible illnesses as well as suggested foods, bedding, and toys for your hedgie. The paper itself is even high quality. Well worth the money, and I think very important for anyone looking into getting a hedgehog.

Pretty basic book. Not bad for the price. You can find pretty much the same info on Google, but sometimes its nice to have a hard copy to look to when you have a question. I got this for my little sister who just got a hedgehog for her birthday.

A must for those considering purchasing a hedgehog. Like already knowing they are night dwellers.hedgehogs can be Litter Box trained,

A hedgehog was on the horizon in our family, but I had learned from previous pets that one must do their homework if you don't want to end up with surprises (and unhappy pets). This was THE book for me to quickly learn about hedgehogs, their care requirements, and if this was the best choice that fit in with our lifestyle. Excellent resource and a must have for any soon to be hedgie owner!

I was hoping for some more basic care tips, I recently got my very first hedgehog and know very little about caring for them. It felt like a lot of the book was geared toward people who already knew the basics. It told a lot about hedgehog sicknesses and such.

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