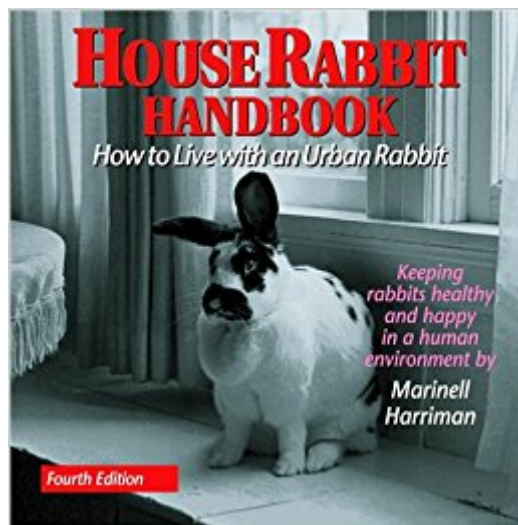




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House Rabbit Handbook: How To Live With An Urban Rabbit, 4th Edition



Synopsis

The House Rabbit Handbook coined the term "house rabbit" and continues at the forefront of rabbit care and appreciation. Packed with the collective wisdom of bunny-lovers and charming, candid photos of their pets, this fourth edition keeps pace with a more knowledgeable and demanding readership. This revision includes updated health-care and dietary information, accompanied by diagrams and photo illustrations, and chapters on understanding rabbit language, choosing a rabbit, and safety issues. A new section includes revised recommendations for rabbit space and how to creatively integrate it with human space. Fresh housing options described here include "condos" and "Xpens." Exercise and ways to encourage it is the subject of another new section, covering how the shape of an exercise area can determine whether it's used, along with equipment and stimulating "activities" for rabbits. Also here are improved techniques for litter box training, bunny proofing, lifting and handling, grooming and bonding; behavior insights from expert caregivers; dealing with elderly, special-needs, and disabled bunnies; and much more.

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Customer Reviews

I love bunnies because they are so intelligent, funny, individual and beautiful, and this book has given me more information about how to communicate for instance. It provides info about their personalities, their mind, emotions, etc. The book is written in a fun and easy way. There is only one negative point: pictures are in black and white. I guess it was done this way to reduce costs. but it diminishes the beauty of the bunnies. However, the negative point is only cosmetics. Overall, I think this is a must for anyone that is considering to live (or already lives) with an "urban" bunny.

I bought the first edition of this book years ago when I brought my first two bunnies home without knowing anything about how to keep them in the house. It told me everything I needed to know to start out, and how to get into the proper frame of mind to let the bunnies teach me everything else. The book goes beyond care instructions and maintaining health--it teaches you about interspecies relationships: human-rabbit, dog-rabbit, cat-rabbit, guinea pig-rabbit. I now work as the rabbit adoption coordinator for our local Humane Society and we always give this book out for free when someone adopts a bunny--it outlines our standard for humane bunny care. Every shelter director and worker should have a look at this book....it will transform the lives of rabbits in shelters who are often very misunderstood by their caretakers. The authors clearly understand and respect animals as valuable beings, not just as "playthings" for humans. Thus the book is a big step forward in the movement toward kindness and respect for all non-human beings with whom we share this earth.

Very helpful book full of useful facts and information. Every rabbit owner (or potential rabbit owner) should have it. Cute and helpful photos.

This felt like more about the woman who wrote it and her life with her rabbits than a useful index of information. Whenever I go to it to see about illness, care, etc., I find myself disappointed. It's not a handbook; it's a non-fiction mini-biography. Sure, she throws in a few "hints" here and there, but I wouldn't recommend this to anyone unless they just like having books around that talk about house rabbits.

good book

This is an awesome book! It provided many great details and information on rabbit care. I recommend this book to whoever owns a rabbit or thinks about adopting/getting one.

Definitely up there with the best Rabbit basics books. I can see the updates from the other Editions that I also have....Highly recommend getting all, or as many as you can...if you are beginning to love a rabbit! Your bun will Thank You!

There are some useful things in this book, but I think it has been praised beyond its merits. The 1st edition, 25 years ago, no doubt was unique. Today there are many other books about pet rabbits

that include things that this does not. I'm not by any means saying that it is a bad book, just not THE ONE. Probably no such book exists. It contains articles by a variety of authors, so the book might best be thought of as comparable to a book of short stories rather than to a novel. One thing puzzles me: how can wild carrot be listed as a class 1 toxin? Commercial carrots were developed from wild ones. Does this mean the whole plant or only parts? The young top growth in early summer looks the same for both commercial & wild.

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