



# Sun Conure at a Glance

Difficulty of care: **Intermediate**

Average lifespan: **20+ years, with proper care**

Average adult size: **10–13 inches long**

Diet: **Granivorous**

Minimum habitat size:  
**30" W x 24" D x 36" H**

Temperature: **65–80 F**



**Fun fact** ↪ Conures need constant mental stimulation, as they master challenge-type toys faster than other parrots.

## Enclosure Setup & Maintenance

- Sun conure cages should be at least 30" W x 24" D by 36" H for one bird, but larger if you have more than one bird. Don't keep more than two sun conures together in one habitat.
- Cage bars should have  $\frac{3}{4}$  inch of space between them so your bird doesn't escape.
- Add various-sized perches and a large water dish for your bird to bathe.
- Spot clean the enclosure daily, removing discarded food and other soiled materials.
- Give them plenty of mentally stimulating toys so they don't get bored, which may result in feather plucking or other forms of self-harm.



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## Supply Checklist

- Habitat that's at least 30" W x 24" D x 36" H
- Habitat paper, other paper, or litter
- High-quality pelleted conure food and birdseed
- Fruits, veggies, and treats
- Cuttlebone and millet holder
- Food and water dishes
- Various-sized perches
- Play gym and mentally stimulating conure toys
- Mister spray bottle
- Bird nail trimmer



# Handling

Sun conures like to be held and love attention from humans. Some species prefer more cuddling and attention than others, but be prepared to show love more than other pets.

Sun conures need lots of sunlight and vitamin D exposure. Try bringing your bird outside in an escape-proof cage, but don't leave them unattended in direct sunlight.

## Diet

Sun conures should mainly eat a pelleted diet. Feed your bird 60% to 70% high-quality pelleted food and follow the manufacturer's instructions for how much your pet should get.

Your bird's diet should include roughly 30% fruits and veggies. Avoid giving them anything with pits or seeds. Treats are encouraged, but give them sparingly—no more than 10% of the bird's diet.

## Health

Your sun conure should visit the vet annually for a regular checkup.

Birds should have a clean beak and bright, clear eyes. They should have a full range of motion and a strong, clean grip.

If you notice eye or nasal discharge, feather plucking, or a runny/abnormal discharge, immediately contact your vet.

## Fun fact

Baby sunconures are all born green. They start to get color between 6–8 months of age.

