

# General Budgerigar FAQs

## Cages: The good and bad

As we have had many newcomers who have been given bad advice with regard to cages for their birds, I will post some examples of cages...right and wrong cages.

A special note to mention is...that when purchasing your pet at the pet store, often times the staff at the pet store recommend a certain cage as being **perfect** for their budgie. Most often the **perfect** cage is really just the cage the store wants to clear out as they are truly unsuitable. or a cage that has a **buy this cage and get a free budgie** deal

When you are in a petstore and buying your first budgie it is often hard to make wise or informed decisions and you hope that pet store staff are giving you good advice. When you think about it most pet shop staff and just people and often young people who may or may not even own a bird.

Out of cage time comes into play as it frees the bird for flight time which really has to be a decent amount of time out of cage for healthy exercise.

It's always best to buy the biggest cage you can afford...wider rather than taller for a budgie. Pretty stands and pretty shapes aren't really a prime consideration as much as practical movement within the cage for the budgie or budgies that will live in it.

Always think budgie...like "**If I was a budgie how much room would I have in that cage and what would my life be like in that cage ....prison or fun ?**"

Bear in mind, as much as we would hate to live our life in a wardrobe / closet ...some of the cages on offer only give that kind of choice to a budgie.

Just as we have had many, many people on here asking why their birds aren't breeding....no space....no fun times....no room to fly....**does NOT make a happy healthy budgie** nor will it feel like breeding for you.

Hope this has been of help.

**Here is my idea of BAD CAGES**

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CAGE ONE no flight space, bars narrow at top creating hazzard

CAGE TWO to small. suits one canary

CAGE THREE same as cage one

CAGE FOUR decorative shape ...useless as cage for budgies

CAGE FIVE too tall and narrow. suits canaries or finches

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CAGE SIX weird shapes interfere with space and flight

CAGE SEVEN too small

CAGE EIGHT too small

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CAGE NINE shaped top section useless. better with flat roof

CAGE TEN too small

CAGE ELEVEN too small

CAGE TWELVE

### **GOOD CAGES**

CAGE A Needs perches running front to back

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CAGE B Needs perches running front to back

CAGE C

CAGE D

CAGE E

CAGE F

CAGE G reposition perches front to back

**Can anyone tell me why this birdcage isnt suitable for budgies ???**

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