

# Piggy Care Resources

<https://www.facebook.com/GuineaPigZone>

## Proper Cage Size:

<http://www.guineapigcages.com/>

## Guinea Gig Cage Store and Market:

<http://www.guineapigcagesstore.com/>  
[www.guineapigmarket.com](http://www.guineapigmarket.com)

## General Info and Proper Care Guide:

[www.cavyspirit.com](http://www.cavyspirit.com)

## Why You should Get At Least 2 Piggies Instead of 1:

<http://www.cavyspirit.com/sociallife.htm>

## The Importance of Daily Floor Time:

<https://www.guineapigcages.com/floortime.htm>

## How To Bond With Your Guinea Pigs:

<https://www.chewy.com/petcentral/increasing-the-bond-between-guinea-pigs-and-owners>

## Idea for Toys:

<http://www.guineapigcages.com/toys.htm>

## Different Guinea Gig Sounds:

<http://www.guineapigmanual.com/guinea-pig-sounds/>

## Nails Trimming Guide:

<http://www.guinealynx.info/nails.html>

## Medical Info:

<http://www.guinealynx.info/>

## Why You Should Weigh Your Piggies Weekly:

<https://www.facebook.com/photo.php?fbid=609739669092136&set=pb.164228670309907.-2207520000.1384375796.&type=3&theater>

## Why Grass Hay is the Most Important Part of Their Diet:

Piggies should have unlimited timothy or grass type hay available to them at ALL TIMES. Grass type hay (either timothy, orchard grass, or blue grass is fine and alfalfa hay should only be given to piggies under 6 month old or pregnant/nursing piggies only) is arguably the most important part of their diet as this helps wears down their molars aka back teeth to help prevent them from being overgrown and also helps get their digestive system moving. Also along with their diet 1 cups of fruits and veggies split into 2 servings (breakfast and dinner) and 1/4 to 1/8 cups of pellets per pig. Best hay we have come across is from Small Pet Select as the hay is very fresh, green, soft and not very dusty unlike most store bought hay. Also the best thing about it is the quick shipping and price. If you buy in a bulk you tend to save a of money in the long run. Tons of guinea pigs, chinchilla, rabbits/bunnies owners uses their hay and rightfully so:

**Small Pet Select Website:**

[www.smallpetselect.com](http://www.smallpetselect.com)

**Small Pet Select Facebook Page:**

[www.facebook.com/SmallPetSelect](http://www.facebook.com/SmallPetSelect)

**Veggies and Fruits Chart:**

Reference this printer friendly pdf chart as to what fruits/veggies you can/cannot feed them, frequency, how much and food that are high in vitamin-c's which piggies need to have every day to live a healthy life since they cannot produce it on their own. 25Mg of vitamin-c (equivalent to 1/8 slice of a green bell pepper) a day is minimum and around 25-50mg when they are sick. A lack of sufficient vitamin-c intake can induce scurvy which can cause your piggies teeth to fall out and even causes paralysis of their hind legs. Give them each one cup of veggies each day split into 2 servings (breakfast and dinner). Also food color coded in purple and red is fine for once in a while but you might as well avoid it completely as there are better and more piggy friendly food to choose from. One last important thing, be careful of food high in calcium and oxalate as it contributes to bladder stones which is quite painful and can possibly be fatal:

<http://www.guineapigcages.com/food/Veggie-and-Fruit-Charts.pdf>

**Same chart but with extra important information, like poisonous plants and other veggies they can't/shouldn't eat, when you scroll down all the way toward the bottom:**

<http://www.guineapigcages.com/forum/threads/22156-READ-ME-Cavy-Nutrition-Charts-amp-Poisonous-Plants-List>

**Which Pellets and Which Type:**

Note: do not buy pellets that has anything but pellets in it. Do not get the ones with colorful bits and pieces in it as it is fatty and the seeds/husk can cause your piggies to choke to death. The best pellets we have found so far is from either KMS Hayloft (minimal ingredients, low calcium level and does not contain limestone carbonate which has been linked to stones) and 2nd best would be Small Pet Select (both brands are online only) as they have minimum ingredients to their pellets. If your piggy is under 6 month old then get alfalfa based pellets and if your piggies are over 6 month then get the timothy based pellets as their pellets have half the amount of calcium as other leading brands of pellets has excess calcium can lead to bladder stones which is often fatal if big enough:

<https://www.kmshayloft.com/collections/all>

<http://store.smallpetselect.com/shop-all-pellets-c3.aspx>

If you can't get your pellets online then the 3rd best pellet and is available in store would be the Oxbow. Once again if your piggy is under 6 month old then get the Young Guinea Pig Food and if they are over 6 month old then get the Adult Guinea Pig Food

<http://www.petsmart.com/search?SearchTerm=oxbow+guinea+pig>

**Feel free to join our forums where there are tons of other piggy owners who have lots of insights as well:**

<http://www.guineapigcages.com/forum/index.php>

**If You Have A Medical Issue:**

**TAKE YOUR GUINEA PIG TO A VET RIGHT AWAY AS THEY ARE PREY ANIMALS AND WILL HIDE THEIR ILLNESS USUALLY UNTIL IT'S TOO LATE TO SAVE THEM SO DON'T DELAY!**