

# Maintenance Pellets

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**DATA SHEET**



- ★ Formulated by avian vets.
- ★ Made in Australia from fresh Australian produce.
- ★ Perfect year round nutrition for all pet parrots.

Completely balanced extruded pellet diet specifically designed to meet the particular dietary needs of most parrots.

Maintenance Pellets are designed to provide all the nutrition necessary for the long and healthy life of aviary and pet parrots. The elements needed for full feather production, muscle activity and gut function are all included in this diet. Addition of other nutrients and supplements is not necessary.

Includes balanced vitamins, minerals, calcium and amino acids essential for a stable maintenance diet during the regular season. Extrusion cooked pellets offer a palatable, balanced diet that maintains birds at a healthy weight without excess fat disposition. Eliminates waste associated with seed and ensures a longer, healthier life by providing scientifically formulated nutrition.

## **Directions:**

**For complete nutrition in your birds:** Vetafarm diets should make up approximately 80% of the food fed.

There are specific Vetafarm diets available to suit most species of bird. Vetafarm pellets, crumbles or powders should be fed in a clean, dry dish placed where it cannot be contaminated by droppings, water or cage substrate. If the feed does become contaminated it should be replaced with fresh feed.

When a Vetafarm diet is used as the majority (80%) of the feed, no other prepared supplement is required. All the necessary protein, carbohydrates, vitamins and minerals are incorporated into the Vetafarm diet designed for your bird.

**How much will your bird eat?** As a guide, most cage and aviary birds will consume about 10% of their bodyweight in dry feed per day. As an example, a 100g cockatiel will consume approximately 10g of dry food per day.

**Fruits and vegetables:** Fruit and vegetables should be fed to your bird (20% of diet) to encourage interaction and provide variety and stimulation. Chewable items like pine cones, cuttlefish bone, and native tree branches may be provided to help occupy your bird.

**Using Vetafarm foods as a supplement:** Vetafarm diets can also be used as a supplement to seed based or homemade mixtures. Provide Vetafarm diets as approximately 10 - 20 % of the total diet. Ensure that the Vetafarm pellet, crumble or powder is being consumed. Further supplementation may be required depending on the seed/mixture used.

**Converting Birds to Pellets:** For fussy birds or those new to pellets, Vetafarm have an easy to understand YouTube help video available.

**Note:** Breeding parrots will require additional nutrition or a switch to Vetafarm Breeder pellets during breeding season due to increased nutritional demand. Fresh water must be available at all times.

**Recommended for:** Australian and Asiatic parrots.

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**Can be used with:** Breeder Pellets, Maintenance Pellets should be fed during the regular season with birds being changed over to Breeder Pellets around 6 weeks before breeding season and being fed on this diet up until chicks fledge.

### Ingredients:

Whole grains - maize, soybean, wheat and oats.

Vitamins: A, B<sub>1</sub>, B<sub>2</sub>, B<sub>3</sub>, B<sub>5</sub>, B<sub>6</sub>, B<sub>9</sub>, B<sub>12</sub>, C, D<sub>3</sub>, E, H & K.

Minerals: Calcium, cobalt, copper, iodine, iron, magnesium, manganese, phosphorus, potassium, selenium, sodium, sulphur & zinc.

Vegetable oils and natural organic acids.

### Guaranteed Analysis:

Min Crude Protein	17.0%
Max Fibre	3.5%
Min Crude Fat	5.0%
Max Salt	0.5%

**Size:** Available in 350g, 2Kg, 10Kg.

**Item#** 350g - 00098, 2Kg - 00093, 10Kg - 00097

**Expiry:** 2 years from date of manufacture.

