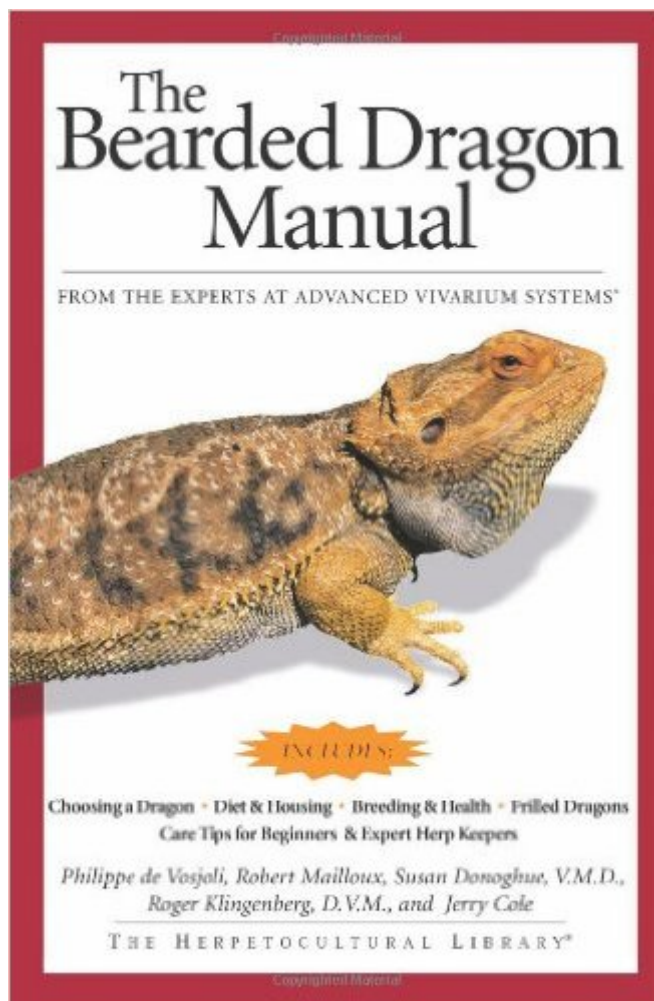


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The Bearded Dragon Manual (Advanced Vivarium Systems)



Synopsis

The Bearded Dragon Manual provides the essential information all devoted bearded dragon owners need to meet the demands of these beautiful, naturally tame reptiles. Since reptiles are cold-blooded creatures, most humans don't instinctively understand their requirements the way they understand the needs of a cat or dog. Herp expert Philippe de Vosjoli and his team of veterinarians and authors seek to make keepers confident in their ability to properly care for their bearded dragons through this most informative book. A key component of caring for bearded dragons, according to the authors, is recognizing that their needs change as they develop. De Vosjoli states in the introduction to the book, "Looking at the life stages of bearded dragons also made [the authors] aware that, like humans, they undergo changes in growth and behavior, which may require the dedicated owner to make adjustments in husbandry (and general care) to meet the needs of each life style." The Bearded Dragon Manual is the first book to present this information that is so critical to the proper maintenance of these very popular reptiles. Colorfully illustrated, The Bearded Dragon Manual provides chapter-length coverage on the following topics: selecting a dragon, making a home for a dragon, heating and lighting, diet and feeding management, and behavior. The feeding chapter, which includes an age-by-age guide to nutrition, was co-written with veterinarian Dr. Susan Donoghue. A chapter on breeding discusses strategies for breeding dragons, requirements, conditioning, incubation, and potential problems encountered. Lizard vet extraordinaire Dr. Roger Klingenberg has written a chapter on recognizing and treating bearded dragon diseases, in which he discusses how to recognize a sick dragon, various internal and external parasites, nutritional disorders as well as kidney disease, prolapses, egg-binding, respiratory infections, and eye problems. The chapter concludes with a four-page chart for troubleshooting health problems. Herp expert Jerry Cole has provided a special chapter on frilled dragons, an agamid similar to the bearded dragon that has attracted many bearded dragon fans. Appendices and index included.

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Customer Reviews

My husband and I have read basically every book on the subject of Bearded Dragon care in our quest to provide our babies the best possible life. This is BY FAR the best and most knowledgeable book available on the market. I would recommend this book to anyone with a genuine interest in these beautiful reptiles. There are a lot of other books available, but this one is by far superior to all of the others. It's worth the money to the serious herp hobbyist! Good luck with your beardies!

This is a very excellent reference manual for anyone who wishes to keep and enjoy Bearded Dragon lizards. It is eminently readable, well-organized, and gives the reader a clear idea of what to do and what not to do as regards raising Dragons. These animals have become very popular as pets in many parts of the world due to their cool appearance, nice personalities, and hardiness. This book gives the reader pretty much what he or she needs to know in selecting and caring for a Bearded Dragon. Although much of this information can be found for free on the Internet, I nevertheless enjoyed reading this book and I did learn some new things about caring for dragons. Further, some of the information on the Internet is either wrong, or at least controversial. This book derives its sources from qualified veterinarians and naturalists. One of the things I really like about this book is the "FAQ" (Frequently Asked Questions) that appear throughout the text. These are generally Q & As to common problems and errors in raising Bearded Dragons. I wish I had had this book when I first got my Beardie; I made one or two of the errors that this book warns about. If you are going to buy one book about caring for Bearded Dragons, this one is the one to get. It is also a fun read.

This is a very good book. It is easy to understand, has a lot of beautiful images and it brings up almost everything that you need to know to take care of a Bearded Dragon. The book also tells about things that you don't really HAVE to know - but you wonder about. I can really recommend this book!

This was a good book. There were lots of info on the animal, vivarium setup, proper feeding

techniques for all age groups, signs of diseases, proper care while breeding, things to look out for, and so on. This book just about covers everything you need to get started. This is something you definitely should read before you get your dragon.

I am in the research stage of getting a bearded dragon and this book is wonderful!! Easy to understand with lots of pictures to show you what they are talking about. A must have for a beginner!!

I bought this book when I first got my beardie. I didn't know anything about these animals except what I had been told by the pet store. This book is a lifesaver. It is wonderful, very educational. It covers general information, how to prepare a proper habitat, how to care for your pet, as well as breeding. There is information on some common health problems and other reptiles closely related to beardies as well. This book has been a real help to me while ensuring that I provide the best for my beardie.

I thought this was for Advanced Beardie owners because of the "(Advanced Vivarium Systems)". I decided to finally order it, & I wish I had ordered this book first. It went into better detail than some of the other books I bought.

We recently acquired a 3-week old bearded dragon, and while we have a lot of experience with dogs, cats, and fish, lizards were new to us. This book is great for our family, not just because it told us everything we needed to know, but also because the stories, pictures, and vocabulary is perfect for keeping our kids interested.

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