

Habitat Tips for Chinchillas

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housing your chinchilla



Your chinchilla requires a clean, dry, hospitable home to stay happy and healthy. In addition to being spacious, ventilated, chew-proof, and secure, your pet's home should contain the essentials:



- Proper bedding - do not use cedar shavings, pine shavings, or sawdust. Instead, use [Aspen bedding](#), shredded papers, or other natural materials that do not contain irritating oils or preservatives.
- Food and water [containers](#)
- [Toys](#)
- [Treats](#)
- Tooth-grooming [toys](#) and chews
- [Exercisers](#)
- A container with [dust](#) for bathing
- [Hay](#) for nibbling

Do not place your pet's home in direct sunlight (although it should be located in a bright, accessible area) or in a drafty area. Keep the home out of reach of very young children and other pets. If you use a cage with a mesh bottom, cover a portion of it with fabric or a piece of smooth wood to prevent foot injuries.

