

CANARY

This songbirds originated in the Canary Islands found off the northwest coast of mainland Africa, between Morocco and the Western Sahara. Canaries descend from the wild Serin Finch or the very similar Wild Canary. These birds were domesticated by Spanish sailors, who brought the birds to Europe in the 17th century. The first canary breeders were monks, who sold only the male birds and keep the females for themselves.

LIFESPAN

15 years

HANDLING

Place your palm on the canary's back and wrap your fingers around the bird with your index and middle finger on either side of its head. This position can be used for nail trimming and medicating the canary. Handling canaries should be minimal.



BEHAVIOR

Canaries are generally solitary birds. A breeding pair should be separated as soon as possible after breeding season. Males should not be housed together as these birds are territorial and will fight to the death.

These birds prefer not to be handled too much. Enjoy them for their musical talents and beautiful colors. Different breeds will have different songs, if you have 2 in separate rooms they will sing to each other!

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