

SENEGAL PARROT

The Senegal parrot originates from Senegal, Africa. They also can be found in Gambia, Guinea-Bissau and Guinea (Africa). They live in the moist woodlands and the edges of the Savannah. Senegals were heavily imported into the US and Europe until it became illegal to import wild birds in 1992. The original wild Senegals that were found in the US and Europe were completely different in behavior than those being sold today.

Senegals have grey heads and green wings and chests. Their stomachs have a V-shaped patch of color; yellow, orange or red, depending on the subspecies. The most common stomach color found is yellow. Senegals are known as "monomorphic", meaning that males and females are identical, DNA testing is the only way to tell males from females.



LIFE EXPECTANCY

Up to 50 years

HANDLING

The process of hand taming a Senegal can be slow. Let the bird get used to you and its new environment before trying to handle it. The more you interact with the Senegal, the friendlier it will become and training will become easier.

BEHAVIOR

The Senegal parrot is a very affectionate bird. These birds often form a strong bond with a certain family member, but it is not uncommon for them to rotate their favorite every once in a while.

In comparison to other birds considered as parrots, the Senegal is quiet. There is little or no screeching. Most sounds coming from a Senegal are words or noises found in their environment.

Hand raised Senegals love to play and enjoy being handled. They love to be petted.

These small parrots possess the ability to say words and short sentences. While this ability is minimal these birds are just as entertaining as large parrots.

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