



Rabbit Nutrition

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Rabbits are herbivores and feed continuously (“nibblers”).

Recommended daily diet:

1. Unlimited mixed grass hay or timothy hay. Alfalfa hay is NOT recommended for most adult house rabbits as it is too high in calcium content and calories, but can be offered free choice to young rabbits.
2. No more than 1/4 cup high fiber maintenance-type (alfalfa based) rabbits pellets (18% or higher fiber) per 5 lbs. Adult (non-breeding) house rabbits. We really like Oxbow pelleted food.
3. Minimum of 1 cup vegetables for each 4 lbs. body weight. Choose from the following: Alfalfa sprouts, carrots and carrot tops, cilantro, collard greens, endive, green peppers, parsley, romaine lettuce, kale, outer cabbage leaves, raspberry leaves, wheat grass, pea pods (not the peas), squash, raddichio, dandelion leaves.
4. Small amount of fruit (up to 3 types) totaling only 1-2 level tablespoons per 5 lbs. of body weight (none if dieting). Stay with high fiber fruits: apple, peach, plum, pear, melon, raspberry, papaya, blueberry, blackberry, strawberry, pineapple. AVOID SUGARY FRUITS such as bananas and grapes.

