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# **Build a Foraging Bird Box**

PLUS: 2 Quick facts about Budgies & Cockatiels



### Instructions for building:

- 1. Find a cardboard box big enough for your bird to comfortably stand, move around, and dig in, but try to make sure the sides are low enough for your bird to be able to jump in and out easily.
- 2. Shred tissue paper of different colours to loosely fill the box and make it interesting.
  - a. Cut or shred the paper to about 1 inch wide and as long as 10 inches.
  - b. Crumple the paper to create a fun texture before you put it in the box.
- 3. Optional: add a small sprinkle of your birds food or a few treats to give them something to forage for.

## **Know The Difference: Budgie or Cockatiel**



## **Budgies Quick Facts**

- Are mainly green and yellow in colour but also come in other colours such as blue and grey.
- Average 7-8 inches in length from the tip of their beak to tail feather.



#### **Cockatiel Quick Facts**

- Have orange cheeks that are usually brighter on males than females.
- Often will tap their beak to show you that they want attention.

#### Be a Paws-itive Influence...



Birds can be very smart and like a little excitement in their lives too. Try out different activities each day that challenge your pet to add variety and enrichment to their life.

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