

# You and Your Pet

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Looking for "something  
different" in a pet?  
Some people think wild or  
exotic pets are more in-  
teresting and easier to care  
for. The convenience of only  
having to feed a lizard or  
snake once a week and  
getting a conversation piece  
in the bargain is alluring—at  
least until the owner  
discovers that the "food" is  
live worms or mice.

Buying a healthy pet is a  
lot harder when you pur-  
chase an animal you know  
nothing about. If you do  
decide to get an unusual pet,  
let your veterinarian advise  
you first and then examine it  
before you bring it home.  
Exotic pets get sick too.  
Even box turtles brought  
home from a vacation trip  
can get fungus infections or  
fatal vitamin deficiencies.  
Remember that your wild  
pet deserves the same  
consideration that your cat  
or dog would get. Each  
deserves the proper housing,  
food and medicine.

In deciding where to keep  
your pet, remember that  
animals and birds tropical  
areas require more warmth  
than most cats or dogs.  
Their living quarters should

be draft-proof, as well as  
escapeproof. Considerable  
damage has been done by  
"escaped" monkeys and  
large parrots. Their  
curiosity can lead to torn  
curtains, turned on faucets  
and assorted other horrors.  
Besides preventing property  
damage, a secure cage also  
protects your pet and your  
children from each other.

Make sure that you know  
what your new pet will need  
to eat—before you buy it.  
Although reptiles do not eat  
often, many times their food  
must be live, or they will  
refuse it and starve. Have  
your veterinarian suggest a  
proper diet for your pet. Wild  
animals need vitamin  
supplements to replace  
items not available to them  
in captivity.

Keeping a wild pet healthy  
is not an easy job. Monkeys,  
for instance, are extremely  
susceptible to tuberculosis;  
even zoos have problems  
keeping them well. And  
there are few sprays or  
vaccines that are marketed  
for use on wild animals.  
Some species, such as  
raccoons, otters and skunks  
are susceptible to both cat

and dog diseases, and must  
be immunized against both  
feline and canine distemper.

Try to find someone who  
has kept your type of pet  
before, so that you can learn  
something about its  
disposition. If you want a  
very affectionate pet,  
beware of ocelots and other  
small jungle cats. They are  
very independent. Also make  
sure that your new pet can fit  
into your normal household  
routine. Some animals are  
active only at night, and  
prove to be a big disap-  
pointment to owners who see  
only a sleeping ball of fur  
during the day. If you travel  
frequently, check before  
buying to see that someone  
in your vicinity will volun-  
teer to care for your pet  
while you are away.

Some wild animals are  
being domesticated with  
considerable success.  
Gerbils (small mouse-like  
rodents) are rapidly gaining  
acceptance in the U.S. So are  
chameleons, which require  
little upkeep except water  
and periodic snacks of small  
bugs.

Many people make the  
mistake of thinking that wild  
animals will make suitable  
pets simply because they  
live in the outdoors near the  
home. Unfortunately,  
animals like racoons and  
cottontail rabbits often are  
never completely

domesticated. They may run  
away at the first op-  
portunity.

The demand for wild  
animals as pets is, of course,  
causing problems. For every  
10 animals captured by  
dealers, only one or two  
survive long enough to be  
sold. And the growing in-  
terest in exotic animals is  
encouraging a black market  
in endangered species.

Before you buy, make sure

that your local zoning  
regulations do not forbid the  
type of pet you want. Many  
districts prohibit con-  
finement of wild animals,  
especially game animals, in  
households.

(Dr. Minor regrets that he  
is unable to personally an-  
swer letters from pet  
owners. He suggests that  
readers consult their own  
veterinarians when their  
pets have problems.)

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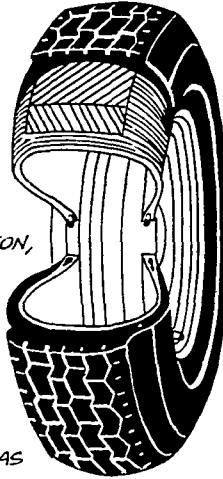
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SIZE, PROFILE OR RADICALLY  
DIFFERENT TREAD PATTERNS ARE  
LIKELY TO HAVE DIFFERENT TRACTION,  
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CHARACTERISTICS. AND REMEMBER  
THAT RADIAL TIRES - WHICH  
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## HERD DISPERSAL AND MACHINERY SALE

Having purchased the entire Dairy herd of Leland King of Keeneyville,  
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TUES. EVENING, MAY 14  
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(Machinery - 7:00 P.M.; Cattle 8:00 P.M.)

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of Tioga County's well-known, high producing Herds. 9  
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6:00 P.M.

Off Route 100 at Ludwigs Corner, 1 1/2 miles East on Route 401 to St.  
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wagon; 2 wheel trailer 8' bed; cement mixer; 20' bale  
elevator w-motor; 4" planer; 1/2 & 1/4 ton chain hoists;  
35 milk cans, some 20 qts.; McD 4 can milk cooler;  
shovels; forks; brooms; single & double trees; har-  
ness; wheel barrows; grass seeder; old grind stone;  
old grain cradle; bag wagons; iron hog trough; 2 bath  
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