

Thank you for thinking of our wildlife and considering making a donation of items to help our volunteers in caring for sick, injured and orphaned wildlife.

As a volunteer group, we have limited resources and storage space, so we have listed below items which we can readily use. We would ask that you please check the list carefully. Donated items that we cannot use take substantial time to sort, re-distribute or discard. As we are 100% volunteer-based we do not have spare resources to be able to do this.

If you are donating linen, and it has been in storage for a lengthy period of time, it is very helpful if you can please wash before donating. Our volunteers are inundated with wildlife and do not have the time to wash donated items. Many of them also rely on tank/rain water and are trying to minimise unnecessary water usage.

If you have items to donate and it is not on the list, please feel free to email us at enquiries@wildcare.org.au.

Cleaning supplies

Our carers use huge amounts of these products when caring for all species of wildlife. These items are all readily available through local supermarkets.

These are great items to include as part of a fundraising/collection drive for schools and community groups.

- ✓ Tissues
- ✓ Paper towels
- ✓ Liquid disinfectant
- ✓ Domestos Disinfectant Bleach Thick
- ✓ Betadine Antiseptic Cream or Liquid
- ✓ Anti-bacterial Wet Wipes
- ✓ Liquid Antibacterial Instant Hand Sanitiser
- ✓ Washing liquid or powder
- ✓ Vanish Napisan Sensitive Powder In-wash & Soaker
- ✓ Sard Super Power Stain Remover
- ✓ Dettol Antibacterial Laundry Rinse Sanitiser
- ✓ Pine O Clean Laundry Sanitiser
- ✓ Canesten Antibacterial and Antifungal Hygiene Laundry Rinse
- ✓ Clean Boost Laundry Sanitiser

Linen

Good, clean condition. Some light staining and wear is okay.

No holes, rips or frayed edges as these can cause injury to wildlife.

- ✓ Bath towels *(we currently have enough stock)*
- ✓ Bath mats *(we currently have enough stock)*
- ✓ Hand towels
- ✓ Face washers/cloths
- ✓ Cot sheets
- ✓ Baby blankets/wraps
- ✓ Quilted bedspreads (e.g. hotel style)
- ✗ No crocheted blankets
- ✗ No pillows or cushions
- ✗ No tea-towels
- ✗ No clothes (including baby clothes)
- ✗ No large sheets *(we currently have enough stock)*
- ✗ No pillowcases *(we currently have enough stock)*
- ✗ No doonas *(we currently have enough stock)*

Medical and Veterinary Supplies

Expired stock acceptable if it is **no more than 6 months out of date.**

- ✓ IV Catheters
- ✓ Cohesive bandages
- ✓ Stainless steel surgical instruments (e.g. tweezers, scissors, haemostats, forceps)
- ✓ Sterile saline (*we currently have enough stock*)
- ✓ Surgical drapes (*we currently have enough stock*)
- ✓ Surgical hand-towels
- ✓ Micropore/Leucoplast tape
- ✓ Plastic bowls (various sizes useful)
- ✓ Disposable gloves
- ✓ Syringes (injectable and enteral) (unopened)
- ✓ Sterile needles (unopened) 27g to 18g
- ✓ Soft stretchers
- ✓ Disinfectants, antiseptics
- ✓ Cotton swabs
- ✓ Plastic tweezers

Handmade / Sewn Items

Below is a list of sewn items that our carers always need along with a link to our preferred pattern and instructions.

We currently do not require any knitted or crocheted pouches.

Joey pouches

These instructions include clear, step-by-step instructions on pouch construction, fabric choice, delivery details. They include variations on the standard pouch to suit different sewing preferences.

<http://wildcareaustraliainc.camp9.org/resources/Documents/ERS/ERS%20-%20Joey%20Pouches.pdf>

Rescue basket cover

This cover fits over the standard plastic rescue basket that a lot of wildlife carers use.

<http://www.wildcareaustraliainc.camp9.org/resources/Documents/ERS/ERS%20-%20Rescue%20basket%20cover.pdf>

Other Items

Animal and parrot cages/aviaries:-

- ✓ Minimum size 60cm(L) x 45cm(H) x 40cm(D)
- ✓ Must be complete and in good repair
- ✗ No round cages please
- ✗ No missing parts (e.g. doors, trays etc)
- ✗ No excessive rust
- ✓ Pet carriers/transport crates in good condition with no missing/broken parts.
- ✓ New fabric for making pouches (e.g. flannelette, cotton jersey, fleece)

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