Wildcare Australia Inc.

Wish List May 2022

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-Cleen 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
- Bath mats
- ✓ Hand towels
- ✓ Face washers/cloths (no crocheted edges)
- Cot sheets (flat and fitted)
- ✓ Baby blankets/wraps (cotton and muslin)
- Quilted bedspreads and coverlets (please NO doonas, quilts or quilt covers— we can only use quilted hotel-style bedspreads and coverlets)
- ✓ Pillowcases (white and plain colours only)

We cannot use the following items – please consider donating to an op shop if in good, clean, useable condition:

- No crocheted blankets
- X No pillows or cushions
- No tea-towels
- No clothes (including baby sleeping bags)
- No fitted sheets
- No quilt covers
- X No doonas



^{**} Note the Aldi brand alternatives are absolutely fine too!

Medical and Veterinary Supplies

Expired stock acceptable if it is clean, unopened and no more than 6 months out of date.

- ✓ IV Catheters
- ✓ Cohesive bandages
- Stainless steel surgical instruments (e.g. tweezers, scissors, haemostats, forceps)
- ✓ Sterile saline
- ✓ Surgical drapes (plain flat drapes only)
- ✓ Surgical hand-towels
- ✓ Micropore/Leucoplast tape

- ✓ Plastic bowls (various sizes useful)
- ✓ Disposable gloves (M or L adult sizes only)
- ✓ Syringes (injectable and enteral) (unopened)
- ✓ Sterile needles (unopened) 27g to 18g
- ✓ 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.

PLEASE DO NOT SEND ANY KNITTED OR CROCHETED ITEMS – WE HAVE MORE THAN ENOUGH.

Joey pouches

We currently only require large and X-large pouches – please do not send smaller 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)
- X 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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