

Advantages and Disadvantages about Ringneck Parrots

Let's start with the **Advantages**

- They consist of beautiful colours ranging from green, blue, yellow, white and grey.
- There is a lot of different opinions on the net about different genders having different abilities of talking. In most opinions it is said that males are better talkers but our opinion and experience is that there is no difference in the ability of talking.
- The only difference between male and female is that a male forms a beautiful ring around his neck and a female will remain the same with no ring.
- Ringneck's will say many words, the best age to teach them is 6 months to 2 years. They will start talking when they are about 1 year old.
- Their life span is 15 to 20 years

Now we will go on to talk about the **Disadvantages**

- Ringnecks are quite aggressive parrots, especially when they are moved to a new environment but will eventually settle when trust is built.
- Takes them a lot longer to settle into their new home as they are frightened until they familiarise themselves to the people and their new surroundings.
- They are not physically strong parrots up until the age of 1 year, especially hand reared Ringnecks that's why we don't recommend buying hand reared.
- Until they are 1 Year old they will get tired very easily if they are handled or made to fly around too much. This only happens when the new owners are eager to train them straight away which results in the parrot losing weight, getting exhausted and stressed out which can lead them to fall ill and they are not able to recover in such a young age. So what we suggest is that first you build up the trust by talking to the parrot before any type of taming. The time you should allow depends on each individual parrot as each of them will have a different temperament. When taming your parrot, only tame them a few times a day and a few minutes each session to start off with until they are settled properly.
- As we live in a cold environment they are prone to catching a cold whilst they are young due to a weaker immune system.

What can cause HARM easily to the Ringnecks

Damp, smoke (cooking, cigarettes etc), air fresheners, scented candles or fragrance sticks.

PLEASE TAKE EXTRA CARE OF THE ABOVE POINTS FOR THE WELFARE OF YOUR RINGNECK

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