

Essential Ferret Checklist

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Ferret Nova/©Courtesy of Miranda Wood
Ferrets need a lot more items than just food and a cage.

Before you bring home your new ferret friend, make sure you have these supplies on hand: Cage—the bigger, the better—with an escape-proof latch. Food with meat protein and high-fat content. Food and bowls that won't tip over. 16-ounce water bottle. Bedding materials, such as small pet beds or pet blankets. Cage litter. Toys—avoid soft latex or rubber cat or dog toys. Collar for I.D. purposes. Harness and leash. Pet carrier for trips in car.