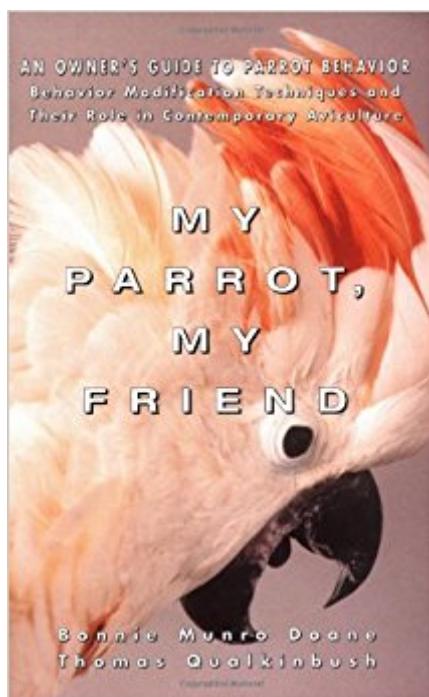


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# My Parrot, My Friend: An Owner's Guide To Parrot Behavior (Behavior Modification Techniques And Their Role In Contemporary Aviculture)



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Bonnie Munro Doaqne is a highly respected parrot authority and the author of *The Parrot in Health and Illness* (Howell Book House). Thomas Qualkinbush is also a leading aviculturist and developer of the behavioral modification techniques described in the text.

This book tells it like it is sharing your life with a parrot. My 23 year old handicapped Sun Conure is most definitely my friend. There are definitely issues with sharing your life with a non domestic friend but their intelligence, their interaction and their affection more than outweighs the issues. Having worked in parrot rescue and for a well-known avian vet, I can confirm sharing your life with a parrot friend far outweighs the issues as long as you have patience and love. The title of this book says it all.

great book!

Buy this book as it is one of the first books on how to train your Parrot type bird using the methods that are being used today. I found it interesting to read and very informative.

This book should be read by anyone who is thinking about getting a bird or has had birds. It is filled with information that I did not know about and helped me understand my birds a lot better. My relationship with my birds has changed since reading this book. They seem to know that I understand now and it has helped me communicate with them.

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It was a gift and my friend loved it!

Learn alot about behavior

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