**Goffin Cockatoo**

**Scientific Name:** *Cacatua goffini*

**Common Name(s):** Goffin Cockatoo, Tanimbar Cockatoo

**Origin:** Tenimber islands of Indonesia

**Length:** 9 - 12 inches

**Wing Span:** 22 - 24 inches

**Weight:** 300 - 375 grams

**Body Color:** Goffin Cockatoos are a smaller cockatoo that is white with pink highlights in front of the eyes and on the breast. Their crest is smaller than those of other cockatoo species.

**Life Span:** 60+ years

**Diet:**

- **Wild:** Seeds, nuts, fruits, berries, insects, and larvae.
- **Captive:** Pellets, nuts, fruit, vegetables, seeds, treats.

**Personality:** Possibly less demanding and noisy than most of the other cockatoo species Goffins have a great personality. They make a good choice for people who would like a cockatoo that is somewhat easier to accommodate than the larger species. They are extremely active and intelligent and need larger cages than their size would suggest. They make companions but are prone to feather destruction if neglected or bored. They are well known as escape artists. This species is not recommended as a first bird.

**Bite Potential:** Moderate, beak pressure is not as strong as the larger cockatoos but the lower beak is still sharp.

**Sexing:** The iris of the females' eyes may develop a brownish color, the males' eyes will remain black, but to be certain DNA or endoscopy is required.

**Cage Size:** Minimum 24 x 20 x 24 inches. Bar spacing 3/4 to 1 1/2 inches.

**Cost:**

- **Pet Store:** $1200 - $1400
- **Breeder:** $700 - $900
- **Adoption:** $450