

## Bird: Sun Conure

Scientific Name: *Aratinga solstitialis*

Origin: Brazil, French Guiana, Guyana and Venezuela

Common Names: Sun Conure

Length: 12 inches (30 cm)

Weight: 100 – 130 grams

Body Color: Red, orange, gold, and yellow on face, abdomen and back. Some wing feathers are green. Flight and tail feathers are blue and green.

Life Span: 20 to 35 years or more

Diet:

In the Wild: Seeds, berries, fruits, nuts, vegetation, bugs and larvae.

In Captivity: Fruit flavored pellets, small amounts of an enriched seed mixture, fresh fruits and vegetables.

Grooming: Most enjoy bathing. If not, mist with tepid or room temperature water.

Proper Cage Size: 24 inches (61 cm) square. Bar spacing should be a ½ inch to ¾ inch. Horizontal bars are preferred.

Personality: Very active. Good talkers. Playful and curious. Affectionate.

Sexing (How to Tell): It is believed that females have a grayer iris than males. Females' heads, seen from the side are smaller and rounder than males'. Females' beaks are smaller than males'. The male and female sun Conure have a very similar outward appearance. Females may be somewhat less red or orange than males.

Cost:

Pet Store Listing: \$600.00

Breeder: \$225.00

Adoption: \$150.00

