



### Transporting your gerbils

GERBILS SHOULD NOT BE TRANSPORTED UNLESS ABSOLUTELY NECESSARY AS THEY CAN FIND IT VERY STRESSFUL.



- When transporting your gerbils, keep them in their gerbilarium whenever possible. If you need to transfer them into a smaller carrier, make sure to provide for all their needs. Also ensure that the carrier is escape-proof.
- Make sure your gerbils have access to food and water during the journey.
- Transport the entire group together if possible. This not only helps to reduce the stress of transport, but can also help to reduce aggression upon re-introduction to their group. If you cannot do this, place some familiar smelling bedding and nesting material/ other objects in the carrier.
- Make sure the gerbilarium or carrier has a cover to keep it dark during the journey. However, it is important that it also allows air to pass in and out of the carrier for ventilation.
- Transport your gerbils in a quiet, air-conditioned car, rather than on public transport.
- Plan your route to minimise journey time and maintain suitable comfort and environmental conditions.



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