

How to care for a Blast-Ended Screw

Introduction:

If you are lucky enough to become the proud owner of a Blast-Ended Screw you are an incredibly brave person. These fascinating creatures (part of the magical beetle family) are extremely rare, only being found in the Tundra of Northern Russia, where the habitats are freezing cold and hostile. As a new owner, you may feel anxious about providing your new, beloved pet with the best possible care to ensure it survives and thrives. In this guide, we hope to equip you with all the knowledge you may need to keep your Blast-Ended Screw healthy and content.



Providing a home for your Blast-Ended Screw:

Blast-ended screws require a large enclosure as they are territorial creatures. It should have several different areas for them to use: a small cave constructed from volcanic rocks, where they can sleep and relax; a shallow pond, for them to bathe in and an area with a range of bushes and foliage (plants) for them to hide in when they need to. Because Blast-ended screws love to spit acid and explode unexpectedly, it's really important that you build their homes from fire-proof materials.

You should clean their cage twice a week, make sure you wear protective clothing when doing this.

Feeding you Blast-Ended Screw:

Blast-ended screws are carnivores- they only eat meat, which it must be of the highest quality. They prefer to consume raw meat of: arctic hares, arctic wolves or even polar bears. Although they aren't very active, they need to eat between 50-70kg of meat a day to keep them healthy. Screws should NEVER be fed by hand (they will bite your hand off in a second) and so all food should be thrown into their cage from a 20 metre distance. Watch carefully how you new pet devours its food: it liquidises it using its acid. It is a sight that will always amaze you.



Exercising your Blast-Ended Screw:

Blast-ended screws must be exercised regularly otherwise they will become unfit- and you don't want an unhealthy blast-ended screw, they become even more aggressive. You must take your mini monster for a walk (restrained by a chain) twice a day- for at least twenty minutes a day. Also, once a week, you must allow your screw to have target practice where it shoots its acid: this prevents it from getting a blocked nose which can cause your creature to become very ill.

Closing:

We hope you have learnt lots about how to care for your new pet. Have fun and make sure you spend lots of time with it (on the other side of the fire proof glass) to bond with it so you are BFFs forever.

LO: To answer VIPERS questions

We are going to be writing an explanation text over the next couple of weeks. We will be writing our own about how to look after a magical creature.

Read the text and then type your answers into the boxes below.

Type and page if needed	Questions	Marks
Retrieval	Where do Blast-ended screws come from?	1
ANSWER		
Inference	Why might a new owner feel 'anxious' about owning a blast-ended screw?	2
ANSWER		
Vocabulary	What does 'territorial' mean?	2
ANSWER		
Retrieval	Name the three main areas for a blast-ended screw's cage and why it needs each.	3
ANSWER		

Explain	Explain why the cage needs to be made from fire proof materials?	1
ANSWER		
Retrieval	Name three foods screwws eat	3
ANSWER		
Explain	Explain how blast-ended screwws eat their food	2
ANSWER		
Retrieval	Name two forms of exercise a blast-ended screww needs	2
Answer		
Bonus Question	Would you want a blast-ended screww as a pet? Why? Why not?	2
Answer		

Pets at Home Website Quiz

Pets at Home have lots of explanation texts about how to care for pets. Navigate the website to find the correct answer to the questions below. Highlight the correct option:

<https://www.petsathome.com/pet-talk#category-section-10>

Section: Fish What three words are used to describe fish as pets?	Soothing engaging and endlessly interesting	Funny, fishy and fantastic	Fascinating fish
Section: Small Animal Care How do they describe owning a small pet?	Hardwork	Fun and easy	Hugely rewarding
Section- Reptile-reptile nutrition What do most reptiles eat?	Insects and birds	Insects, rodents and sometimes fruit and veg	Small mammals and lettuce
List 5 important facts you need to know about looking after a bearded dragon using the link in the box:	https://www.petsathome.com/shop/en/pets/pet-talk/pet-care-reptile-bearded-dragon?_ga=2.48650286.985853426.1613059983-1885098291.1613059983#xd_co_f=NmZiYWVkdNDQ+OTNmMi00NmU1LWE4OGU+OWRjZDNhZWY5MTQ3~		

Nice work if you have completed all the questions. How about practising your art skills, trying out drawing Hagrid using the tutorial below?

Post a picture of your Hagrid in the chat for your class!

https://www.youtube.com/watch?app=desktop&v=flqt6_4kG5U

