

# Rabbit Nutrition *Factsheet*

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## Feeding Herbs and Vegetables

To provide dietary variety and behavioural enrichment, suitable fresh herbs and vegetables to feed rabbits as a treat include:

### Broccoli



### Basil



### Cabbage



### Mint



### Parsley



### Radicchio



### Watercress



### Bok/Pak choy



### Celery leaves



### Kale



### Endive



### Carrot tops



### Coriander



### Beet tops



## Vegetables

Rabbit-friendly vegetables are easily available from supermarkets and should always be washed before feeding. However, artificially reared vegetables do not have the same nutritional content as wild food.



## Wild Plants

With care, wild grasses and weeds, can also be fed, as long as the client is confident in identifying suitable plants and sources them sensibly:

- Away from wild rabbit and rodent colonies to avoid disease transmission;
- Away from roads to avoid petrol and lead toxicity.

Owners can also grow suitable plants in their own gardens and window boxes from packets of rabbit-friendly seeds.



## Fruit

Fruit should be regarded as a treat and only fed in limited amounts. This is because, in rabbit terms, it is high in simple sugars and can lead to gastro-intestinal disturbances and acquired dental disease.