

Begging Basket[™]

Care and Use Guide

Product Overview

Each Begging Basket[™] is printed from a durable, sustainable, biodegradable PLA filament. It is designed with rats in mind, and includes round and beveled edges to discourage chewing and prevent scrapes and snags.

Safety Notes

- 1. Having fall breakers such as shelves, hammocks, and other platforms is recommended for any cage setup to prevent injury in case of falls.
- 2. While the Begging Basket[™] is printed from PLA, a sustainable, biodegradable biopolymer that is considered food safe, it **IS NOT** edible or intended to be eaten.
- 3. The Begging Basket[™] packaging may include small parts such as mounting hardware that may pose a choking risk for infants and young children.
- 4. Before mounting the Begging Basket[™] to the enclosure, it is recommended that all animals be removed from the cage to prevent risk of injury.
- 5. The Begging Basket[™] should be checked regularly for damage or sharp edges. If you note any cracks, sharp edges, or other dangerous defects, please remove the Begging Basket[™] from the enclosure immediately and discard.
- 6. The Begging Basket[™] should be kept away from heat sources, and should not be stored at temperatures greater than 100°F / 37°C. It should not be used outside, or left in direct sunlight.

Included Hardware

Full Kit:

- 1X Slim Begging Basket™
- 2X Screws for side of cage mounting.

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• 2X Plastic Mounting Washers for side of cage mounting.

Mounting Instructions

- 1. To prevent risk of injury, ensure that no animals are in the cage while mounting Begging Baskets[™].
- 2. Locate the required mounting screws and Plastic Mounting Washers in your Begging Basket[™] packaging.
- 3. Note the location of the two mounting holes on the side of the Begging Basket[™].

Note: To ensure that your baskets are completely secure, please make sure that both mounting holes are utilized and tightened firmly.

- 4. Place one mounting screw through the center hole of each plastic mounting washer.
- 5. Carefully hold the basket to the desired location on the side of the enclosure, making sure that all side mounting holes are accessible between the bars.

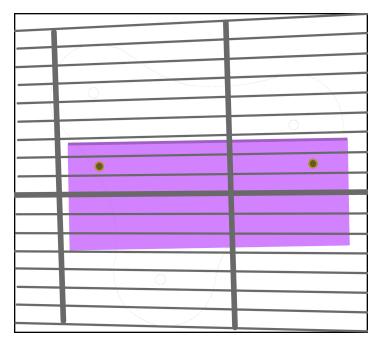


Fig 1: Ensure mounting holes are accessible between bars.

6. For exterior mounting, attach each plastic mounting washer to the Begging Basket[™] mounting holes from the outside of the cage using the provided mounting screws, taking care not to overtighten. Rotate the mounting washer as needed to ensure that it spans the bars on the outside of the cage, ensuring a secure mount.

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Fig 2: Rotate mounting washers clockwise until the basket is held firmly to the bars

7. For interior mounting, attach both plastic mounting washers to the desired side of the Begging Basket[™] mounting holes with the provided mounting screws, taking care not to overtighten. Rotate the mounting washers so that the cage bars align with the open channel between the hooks at the top of the washer.

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Fig 3: Align mounting hooks with space between cage bars

8. Rotate the mounting washers so that the cage bars align with the open channel between the hooks on the mounting washer. Rotate the washer to clip the hooked ends around the bar(s), until the washer snaps firmly into place on both sides. Repeat this process for the remaining mounting washers.

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Fig 4: Rotate washers counter clockwise until the hooks firmly snap to the cage bars.

Note: Depending on enclosure bar spacing and orientation, you may need to alter washer angle to ensure hooks can "grab" bars firmly enough to prevent sliding or weak mount. Please contact <u>support@ratprints.com</u> if you need assistance.

9. Ensure that the Begging Basket[™] is secured at both mounting points, and that all screws are tightened snugly. Wiggle the Begging Basket[™] to ensure that it is securely mounted, and is not loose.

Care and Cleaning

- Check frequently to ensure that the Begging Basket[™] is not damaged. If it is damaged, it should be discarded to prevent injury.
- Wipe clean regularly (as you would any small pet accessory) to remove urine or feces as needed.
- For thorough washing, scrub with lukewarm water and a veterinary-approved soap or cleaning agent and rinse. Towel dry, and ensure the item is completely dry before replacing it in the enclosure. The Begging Basket[™] should not be left fully submerged in water.

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- The Begging Basket[™] is NOT dishwasher safe, and should only be hand-washed.
- To prevent damage, the Begging Basket[™] should not be stored near heat sources or at temperatures greater than 100°F / 37°C. It should not be stored outside or in direct sunlight.

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