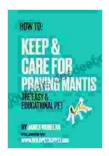
# The Ultimate Pet Praying Mantis Care Guide: Enclosure, Diet, Handling, and More



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Praying mantises are fascinating creatures that make unique and captivating pets. With their long, slender bodies, large eyes, and powerful forelegs, they are sure to turn heads. If you're considering adding a praying mantis to your home, you'll need to know how to provide it with the proper care.

#### **Enclosure**

Your praying mantis will need an enclosure that is at least three times its body length in width and height. The enclosure should be well-ventilated and have a secure lid to prevent the mantis from escaping. You can use a variety of materials to create an enclosure, such as glass, plastic, or mesh.

Inside the enclosure, you will need to provide your mantis with a variety of objects to climb on, such as sticks, branches, or leaves. You should also provide a hiding place, such as a small box or a piece of fabric.

#### **Diet**

Praying mantises are carnivores and their diet consists primarily of insects. You can feed your mantis a variety of live insects, such as crickets, mealworms, and roaches. You should offer your mantis food every few days, and you should remove any uneaten food from the enclosure after 24 hours.

In addition to live insects, you can also offer your mantis a variety of other foods, such as honey, fruit, and nectar. However, you should only offer these foods as a supplement to their diet of live insects.

#### **Handling**

Praying mantises are generally docile creatures, but they can bite if they feel threatened. You should always handle your mantis with care and avoid making any sudden movements.

To handle your mantis, gently pick it up from the back of its thorax (the middle section of its body). Do not squeeze the mantis or handle it by its wings.

#### Lifespan

The lifespan of a praying mantis depends on the species. Most species live for about a year, but some species can live for up to two years.

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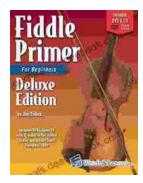
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