

Behavior of Rabbits

1. Instinctual behaviors

Social structure- Rabbits are fairly social .

Reproduction- Rabbits reproduce because most of them are eaten by bigger animals of prey.

Mothering- Rabbits stay with their mother till they are about 8 weeks old.

Feeding- they eat anything in your garden.

Communication- Rabbits "talk" with different body positions.

2. Learned behaviors

Imprinting- They don't imprint on humans very easy

Conditioning- training to jump over something

Habituation- train to ignore other rabbits or animals

Intelligence- they aren't very smart

3. Safe handling and restraint procedures

Flight zones- they are very scared animals

Temperament- very scared

Vision- not very good because their eyes are on the sides of their head

Noise- very good its how they find food and identify their young

Restraint devices- There really isn't any because they are only little rabbits

<http://rabbitresource.org/care-and-health/behavior/how-to-speak-rabbit/>

Figure 2f from: Poorani J (2014) An unusual new species of *Micraspis* Chevrolat (Coleoptera: Coccinellidae) from northeastern India. *Biodiversity Data Journal* 2: e4112. <https://doi.org/10.3897/BDJ.2.e4112>. (n.d.). doi:10.3897/bdj.2.e4112.figure2f