

MidWest Homes for Pets/Mid-West Metal Product History

- · Located in Muncie, Indiana, USA
- Family owned and operated since 1921
- Five US manufacturing locations and two warehouse facilities in Muncie
- Seven dedicated manufacturing facilities in China
- www.midwesthomes4pets.com

From the early stages, when crate training was a new and unrecognized form of training, MidWest began developing wire mesh crates for use in the home and during travel. Through our constant innovations, we developed a way to make our crates fold up, allowing them to be conveniently carried like a suitcase. Like the early models, all the panels are connected together on today's "fold and carry" crates. This makes set-up and take-down quick and easy. The newest fold and carry line, iCrate, includes divider panels to help simplify and speed the housebreaking process and carrying handles. The iCrates are available in single and double door models, all with rounded corners for safety. The wide array of sizes offer the perfect sized home for all breeds of dog.

Another line of products MidWest offers for the dog on the go, are exercise pens. An exercise pen is a series of flat wire mesh panels joined together. These joined panels expand out and the ends are joined to provide dogs (and other animals) an area to stretch and exercise. With additional pens, they can be expanded to give more room. The exercise pens can also be connected to a crate to give the dog room to stretch.

In recent years, MidWest has also developed a line of fabric "soft-sided" crates, the Canine Campers®. These two-door, soft sided crates are perfect for the dog and dog owner on the go. These feature-packed homes are easy to set-up with "Pop-Up & Zip" assembly...no poles, bars, straps or tools required. Assembly is complete in seconds! The Canine Camper™ is constructed with heavy, water-resistant woven polyester with a PVC backing and PVC mesh window screens. The large mesh windows include privacy flaps and the mesh doors feature removable privacy flaps to regulate visibility and ventilation. Each Canine Camper® includes a convenient carrying tote and ground stakes. They also feature large storage pockets on the sides and back; zippered mesh doors with zipper lock; non-skid feet; removable, machine washable, double-sided synthetic sheep skin pad. The development on this line didn't stop. MidWest developed soft-sided crates specifically for different climates.

MidWest Homes for Pets has also been instrumental in the development of vehicle barriers. These barriers, designed to keep the dog in the rear or designated area of the vehicle, keep the driver and passengers safe by

containing the dog, eliminating distractions. With simple adjustments, vertically and horizontally, the barriers designed to easily to fit most all vehicles on the road. All the barriers are black e-coated to eliminate glare, provide easy visibility and eliminate blind spots. MidWest barriers install in minutes with easy, installation and removal...no drilling! Rubber components protect the vehicle interior and eliminate rattle. All components are tightened in place for pet safety. For the pet's safety, don't forget a MidWest Vehicle Barrier when you hit the road.

Comfort is also important to MidWest. We continually introduce pet beds and pads specifically designed for crates and comfort in the home and in the vehicle. Quiet Time® Pet Beds are machine washable, and are a prefect way to make a pet feel at home. From specialty beds such as the Quiet Time® Orthopedic Beds to the dramatic Designer Series and colorful Fashion Series, MidWest has a bed for all needs and décor.

MidWest's wire crates, soft-sided crates and exercise pens can be, and are, used by pet owners with pets other than dogs. The Canine Camper® is used by small animal and cat owners as travel crates. MidWest exercise pens can be use for a variety of animals such as rabbits, chickens, ducks and turtles.

A crowning achievement for MidWest is the Ferret Nation® ferret cage. These cages were truly designed with the ferret and owners in mind. MIDWEST consulted with leading ferret experts to create a ferret cage with security and safety for the ferret and with features to make cleaning, feeding and overall care easier for the owner. The patent pending design includes features such as full-width opening double doors with ferret-proof dual-locking latches, unique height adjustable shelves with removable plastic inserts and attaching points on the bottom for accessories. They incorporate a full width middle level which doubles the ferret's play area while eliminating dangerous falls. Each level had a removable, easy to clean plastic floor pan. A special molded opening in the pan allows access from one level to the other via appropriately angled ramps, which can swing up and hook to prevent access, separate ferrets or secure a section for cleaning or feeding.

With design features of the Ferret Nation® in mind, MidWest created the Cat Playpen...an economical, feature filled playpen for cats. With swing-open front double-doors, secure-locking door latches, ultra-soft chenille bed and roll and lock casters, this playpen is perfect for the owner and cats alike.

Within the Bay Isle® wicker crate line is a wire framed, woven wicker covered, attractive litter box cover. With swing-down front panel access, this cover is not only attractive, but also very functional.

A long-time standard in the MidWest line are the Wabbitat® rabbit cages. These simple yet effective folding cages, available in 3 sizes, are perfect for family rabbits.

MidWest's Small Animal Playpen and Exercise Pens are appropriately sized and wire-spaced pens to allow small animals to play around in a controlled environment.

MidWest offers different accessories and products to make pet ownership more convenient and fun with products such as grooming tables, patented waste removal tools, patented feeding and water bowls, crate casters and nameplate kits.

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