

Meet Tigga...



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Hatching a good idea!

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Tigga, along with his buddies Togga and Fluffy are three happy, healthy, vibrant and vocal roosters and, they live at a sanctuary. Life is good, but it wasn't always so. The result of a school hatching project, they were lovingly taken home by a student at the project's end, as is often the case for hatchlings. All was good until it was realised they were roosters....



Mother Nature knows best

Mother chickens are very protective of their young and go to great lengths to lay their eggs in private, turning them continually to keep the temperature constant and ensure the embryo does not adhere to the shell. She will even 'talk' to the unborn chicks. Classroom situations are unable to replicate this. Many well-meaning families are often ill-informed and ill-equipped to provide for the special needs of young birds.

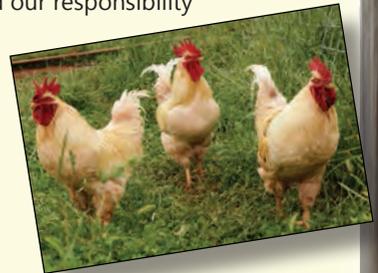
Nature dictates that 50% of the hatchlings will be roosters. With many suburban councils prohibiting the keeping of roosters and often unable to be taken in by shelters and pounds already struggling to cope with the ever increasing number of unwanted animals, their futures are bleak.

Important life lessons lost

Chicken hatching projects do not teach young and impressionable minds important life lessons about compassion, responsibility and justice. Rather they enforce the notion that animals are mere teaching aids and that it is okay to end our responsibility to others when a problem arises.

But I want to learn!

Take an excursion, watch a video, use an egg hatching model kit or read a book. With so many ways one can learn about the life cycle of a chicken that do not involve live animals, it is hard to see why the addition of hatching chicks can be justified!



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