

# The Parrot Who Owns Me: An Inspiring Tale of Friendship and Loyalty

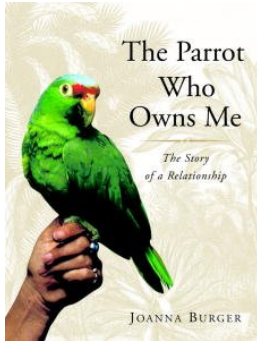


Have you ever met someone who completely changed your life? For me, that someone is not a human but rather a delightful parrot named Coco. This is the story of how Coco, the parrot who owns me, turned my world upside down and filled it with love, laughter, and endless surprises.

## A Colorful Encounter

It all started one sunny afternoon when I visited a local bird sanctuary out of curiosity. As I walked around, taking in the serene ambiance filled with chirps and

songs, my eyes were drawn to a vibrantly colored creature perched on a branch. It was Coco, a magnificent parrot with feathers that looked straight out of a tropical paradise.



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Curiosity got the better of me, and I couldn't help but approach Coco. As I extended my hand, Coco turned his round, beady eyes towards me and let out a squawk curious enough to melt even the hardest heart. Little did I know, this encounter was about to change my life.

### **An Unbreakable Bond**

In the days that followed, I found myself irresistibly drawn back to Coco's enclosure. I spent hours sitting with him, listening to his melodious chattering and exchanging secrets that only the two of us understood. In no time, Coco had captured my heart, and it became clear that I was no longer just a visitor but a devoted companion.

Our bond grew stronger with each passing day. Coco started mimicking my words and found great joy in imitating every sound he heard. It was both hilarious and heartwarming to witness him mock my laughter or yell out my name when he couldn't find me. We had created a language of our own, a reflection of the deep connection we shared.

## **Life's Lessons Taught by a Parrot**

Living with a parrot like Coco is an adventure unlike any other. Through him, I have learned valuable life lessons that continue to shape me as a person. Coco's presence taught me the importance of patience, as he would often test my limits with mischievous antics. He reminded me to appreciate the simple pleasures in life, finding joy in the smallest of things like a shiny trinket or a melodious tune.

Coco's intelligence and curiosity inspired me to constantly explore the world around me. I found myself researching parrot behavior, bird psychology, and even avian dietary needs. His presence sparked a fire within me to deepen my understanding of these wonderful creatures and to advocate for their conservation.

## **The Power of Unconditional Love**

One of the most remarkable aspects of my journey with Coco is experiencing the power of unconditional love. No matter how challenging my day was, Coco's friendly squawks and comforting cuddles always managed to melt away my worries. In his eyes, I found solace, acceptance, and a pure form of love that is often hard to find in the human world.

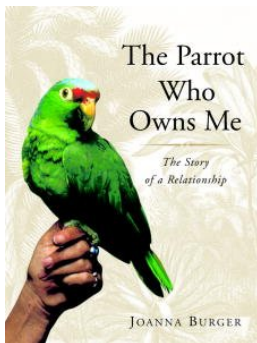
From his mischievous antics to his unwavering loyalty, Coco has taught me the true meaning of friendship. His ability to accept me for who I am, flaws and all,

has been a profound source of comfort and inspiration. I am eternally grateful for the joy he has brought to my life.

## An Unforgettable Journey

As I look back on my journey with Coco, I am filled with gratitude for the wonderful adventure we have shared. He continues to teach me new things every day and reminds me of the incredible connections that can form between species. Coco has become not just a pet but a cherished member of my family, forever etched in my heart as the parrot who owns me.

So, if you ever find yourself crossing paths with a parrot, take a moment to appreciate the magic they bring. Who knows? You might just find yourself on an unforgettable journey, discovering the transformative power of friendship in the most unexpected places.



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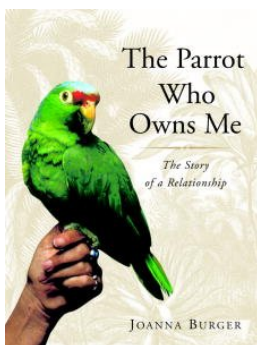
“Birds are my passion,” says Joanna Burger, “but parrots are my weakness.” Fifteen years ago, when she adopted a neglected, orphaned thirty-six year old

parrot named Tiko, she entered on of the most complex relationships of her life.

Sullen and hostile when he entered Dr. Burger's home, Tiko gradually warmed as she carefully persuaded him of her good intentions. Eventually he courted her, building nests inside household furniture during mating season and trying to coax her into them. He nursed her vigilantly through a bout with Lyme disease, regularly preening each strand of hair on the pillow as she slept. For a while he even fought her husband for her attentions, but eventually theirs became a relationship of deep mutual trust.

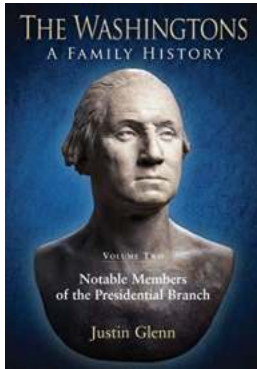
The Parrot Who Owns Me is also the story of the science of birds, and of parrots in particular (America's third most commonly owned pet, after cats and dogs). Woven into the narrative are insights and fascinating revelations from Joanna Burger's work — not only about parrots, but about what it means to be human.

By turns delightful, hilarious, touching, and enlightening, The Parrot Who Owns Me introduces us to an unforgettable bird and his human companion, whose friendships tells us much about ourselves.



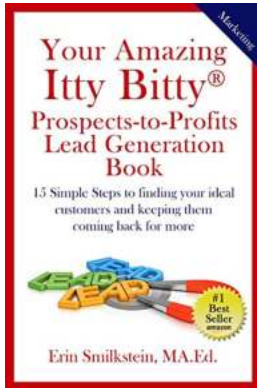
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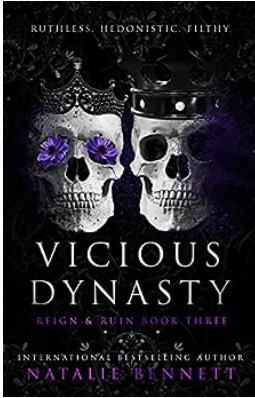
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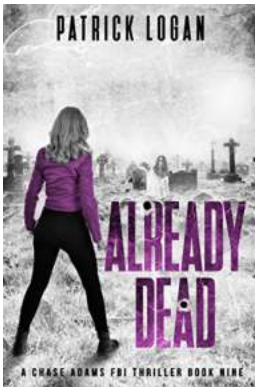
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