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# VSP “Miami Vise” Avian Restraint

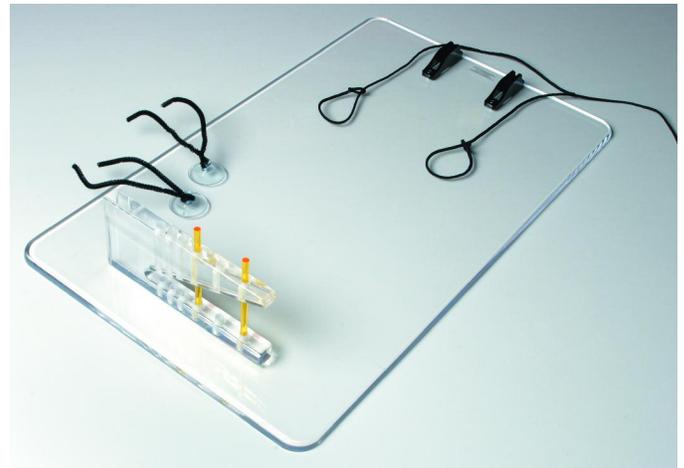


(SKU# 15000)

## Product description

This avian restraint, originally developed by Don J. Harris, DVM, (a widely published, internationally recognized exotic animal practitioner in Miami) offers superior restraint for consistent and secure positioning during radiology or surgery, as well as for physical examinations, fluid administration, and diagnostic procedures performed with or without anesthesia. The VSP “Miami Vise” Avian Restraint is easy-to-use with all birds up to a large macaw.

- Restrain and position any bird up to the size of a large macaw
- Use during radiology, endoscopy, and surgery—anytime it is important that the bird remain secure and immobilized
- May be used for dorso-ventral and lateral restraint positioning
- Use on top of the VSP Heat Pad Protector (SKU # 65000) to maintain the patient’s temperature during anesthesia
- Use during physical examinations and diagnostic sampling
- Clear acrylic allows for easy placement and visualization on a radiographic surface
- Made of acrylic for easy cleaning and disinfecting
- Provides the utmost comfort for birds—more comfortable than if hand held



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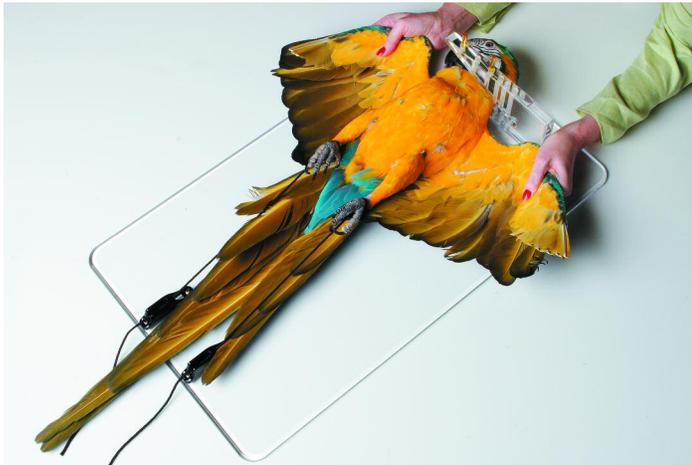
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Depending on the experience of the veterinary staff, it is up to the practitioner to determine if anesthesia is required. For larger birds, it is recommended that the practitioner have assistance.

### Guidelines for larger birds

1. Slide the bird's neck into the restraining neckpiece until it reaches the position where the head is held securely with no pressure on the bird's neck and the body is resting comfortably on the acrylic board
2. Place the acrylic rods into the holes of the restraint on either side of the neck to maintain the proper neck placement
3. Place the nylon leg ties on the bird's legs at the tarsometatarsal-phalangeal joint
4. Slide the ends of the nylon leg ties through the opening of the cleats at the base of the board with enough tension on the ties to hold the legs securely and comfortably
5. Cinch the end of the leg ties down into each cleat to secure the legs



Practitioner has completed steps 1-5 and is getting ready to tape the wings on this blue and gold macaw

6. To secure the wings, tape the wings at the ulna-radial joint to the acrylic board with standard adhesive or masking tape, or use a small bean bag to hold the wing down
7. After completion of the procedure, remove the wing restraints (tape) before removing the leg restraints
8. To remove the leg ties from the acrylic board, pull the end of the nylon ties up and out of the cleats
9. To remove the leg ties from the bird's legs, simply pull the quick release tabs at the slip knot
10. The nylon leg ties can be sterilized by soaking in any disinfectant solution
11. Remove acrylic rods from neck restraint

### Guidelines for smaller birds

1. Follow Steps 1 and 2 at the left
2. Two leg restraint suction cups with ties are provided for smaller birds (used instead of nylon leg ties)
3. Attach the suction cups ties around the tarsometatarsal-phalangeal joint and twist them two to four twists depending upon the size of the patient
4. Place the suction cups on the acrylic board with the desired tension and positioning (Tip: moistening the suction cups will enhance their holding capacity)
5. When using the suction cups for radiographic restraint, bend the padded wires away from the bird so that the wires are not superimposed over the area to be radiographed
6. Follow Step 6 above for how to secure wings

### Caution

If the bird has been on an all-seed diet or you have any other reason to suspect the bird has weak bones, take extra precautions by not putting undue pressure on the bird's bones or allowing the bird to exert pressure at the ulna-radial joint

*VSP recognizes that through experience veterinary professionals have developed their own expertise in performing certain procedures. The guidelines above are meant only to provide additional assistance.*



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