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The Gerbil Farmer s Daughter

By Holly Robinson

Random House USA Inc, United States, 2010. Paperback. Book Condition: New. 201 x 130 mm. Language: English . Brand New Book. What kind of Navy officer sits on his ship in the middle of the Mediterranean dreaming of gerbils? That s the question that Holly Robinson sets out to answer in this warm and rollicking memoir of life with her father, the world s most famous gerbil czar. Starting with a few pairs of gerbils housed for curiosity s sake in the family s garage, Donald Robinson s obsession with the pocket kangaroo developed into a lifelong passion and second career. Soon the Annapolis-trained Navy commander was breeding gerbils and writing about them for publications ranging from the ever-bouncy Highlights for Children to the erudite Science News. To support his burgeoning business, the family eventually settled on a remote hundred-acre farm with horses, sheep, pygmy goats, peacocks-and nearly nine thousand gerbils. From part-time model for her father s bestselling pet book, How to Raise and Train Pet Gerbils, to full-time employee in the gerbil empire s complex of prefab Sears buildings, Holly was an enthusiastic if often exasperated companion on her father s quest to breed the perfect gerbil. Told...

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