

## The Pros and Cons of Dating an Ostrich

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Hello everyone, today I'm going to list the pros and cons of dating an ostrich. Why? For a very practical reason! There are many<sup>1</sup> people out there who are curious about what it may be like to date an ostrich, but who are too timid, too busy, or simply too functional and normal to take the plunge. Well, I've never dated an ostrich, but I have a vivid imagination and I like to be perceived as an expert, so without further ado, here's the list!

Pro: Doesn't try to pressure me into sex.

Con: Frequently sticks her head in blue USPS mail collection boxes on the street in an attempt to eat the letters therein, which is a Federal offense.

Pro: Strong enough to carry me places.

Con: Unwelcome in most public and private spaces.

Pro: Doesn't wear clothing, so she never needs time to get ready before we head out, and also never wants me to take her shopping at J. Crew. Incidentally, fuck J. Crew! No offense.

Con: If I find one more feather in the salsa jar I'm going to lose. My. Shit.

Pro: Has an astoundingly good sense of smell, not to mention exceedingly well-developed vision. I'm not sure how I specifically benefit from this, but it's just comforting to think about, you know?

Con: Can't vote.

Pro: With few exceptions, eats whatever is available.

Con: Omelette-making upsets her, big time.

Pro: Spends her evenings and weekends hanging out solo in the rich biozone of the Botswanian savanna, thereby eliminating the possibility that my friend Harold might - by pure chance - see her with another man, which would send him into a paranoid frenzy during which he may or may not send me ten thousand panicked texts while I'm taking my mom out to dinner for her birthday GOD WHAT IS WRONG WITH YOU HAROLD.

Cons: Hisses at me indiscriminately.

Pro: Never shows up two hours late because "the trains were crazy" or she "double booked" herself.

Con: Could kill me at a moment's notice by piercing my vital organs with her four-inch talons.

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<sup>1</sup>There's just gotta be!

Pro: I have a lot more freedom now that I don't have to take care of my Pomeranian anymore.

Con: I miss Peaches so much it hurts.

Pro: Happily gobbles up rodents, snakes, and insects, all of which frighten me terribly.

Con: May fall prey to lions, cheetahs, hyenas, and crocodiles. Honestly, call me shallow, but this one's kind of a dealbreaker.

Welp, that's my list! Go away now, please! Thanks! Bye!