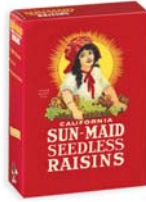




WATCH OUT! LIST FOR YOUR PET

Foods to Avoid Feeding Your Pet

- Alcoholic beverages
- Avocado
- Chocolate (all forms)
- Coffee (all forms)
- Fatty foods
- Macadamia nuts
- Moldy or spoiled foods
- Onions, onion powder
- Raisins and grapes
- Salt
- Yeast dough
- Garlic
- Chicken bones - any cooked bones (these splinter and can cause damage to internal structures!)
- Fitness shakes (powder mix)- containing high amounts of caffeine
- Products sweetened with xylitol (such as sugarless gum)
- Tobacco products



Holiday Hazards

- Christmas tree water (may contain fertilizers and bacteria, which, if ingested, can upset the stomach.)
- Some holiday plants - especially lilies
- Electrical cords
- Ribbons or tinsel (can become lodged in the intestines and cause intestinal obstruction - cats!)
- Batteries
- Glass ornaments



Common Household Hazards

- Fabric softener sheets
- Some potted plants / flowers (check poison plant list)
- Mothballs
- Liquid Potpourri
- Post-1982 pennies (due to high concentration of zinc)
- Cooking fumes from pots/pans- especially non-stick (Birds)

Non-toxic Substances for Dogs and Cats

The following substances are considered to be non-toxic, although they may cause mild gastrointestinal upset in some animals:

- Water-based paints
- Toilet bowl water
- Silica gel
- Poinsettia
- Cat litter
- Glue traps
- Glow jewelry

Warm Weather Hazards

- Animal toxins: toads, insects, spiders, snakes and scorpions
- Blue-green algae in ponds
- Citronella candles
- Cocoa mulch
- Compost piles fertilizers
- Flea products
- Outdoor plants and plant bulbs
- Swimming-pool treatment supplies
- Fly baits containing methomyl
- Slug and snail baits containing metaldehyde
- Mole bait
- Fishing hooks, bait, line (especially fishy smelling items!)



Cold Weather Hazards

- Antifreeze
- Ice melting products
- Rat and mouse bait

Medications

- Pain killers
- Cold medicines
- Anti-cancer drugs
- Illegal substances
- Antidepressants
- Vitamins
- Diet Pills

Skunked?



Mix the following ingredients in a two quart container:

- 1 quart of 3% Hydrogen Peroxide
- ¼ cup of baking soda
- 1 tablespoon of liquid dish soap

Place pet in tub. Thoroughly wet the pet's fur with water, then carefully pour on solution. Make sure it does not get in or near eyes. Let mixture stay on your pet for at least 5 minutes and then rinse off with warm water. Re-apply new mixture if needed. Discard any leftover solution.

Watch Out for Your Pet!

Last year, there were more than 100,000 cases of pet poisoning in the U.S. Many of these were caused by substances you probably have in your home, substances that may seem perfectly harmless to you. But just because something is safe for people doesn't mean it won't hurt beloved pets. Some of the most dangerous dog poisons are foods and medications we take on a daily basis.

Please Watch Out! for these items and keep them away from your pets.

