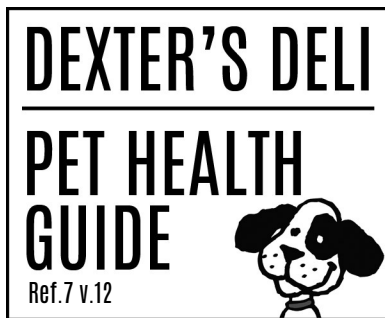




DON'T LEAVE DRY FOOD DRY

Benefits

- Improved digestion
- Improved appetite
- Improved health

Product Suggestions

- *Four Leaf Rover Kibble Fixer
- *Sustenance Herbs CWB / FWB Daily
- *Nupro Gold
 - * *these formulas include digestive enzymes*
- Four Leaf Rover Green Rover & Red Rover formulas
- Herbal Energetics Pet Boost
- Grizzly Fish Oils
- Nordic Naturals Omega-3 Pet
- Animal Essentials Plant Enzymes & Probiotics
- Four Leaf Rover Digest
- Green Juju Bone Broths, Goat Milk, & Veggie Blends
- Primal Goat Milk & Bone Broths
- Solutions Fermented Milks

Your Pet's Body Is 60% Water

Dogs and cats are designed to eat carcasses and other fresh food, which contain a great deal of moisture, at least 70%. Compare this to packaged dry food which averages 8% moisture. So imagine what your pet has to make up for by drinking water! Digesting highly-processed, dry proteins puts a greater burden on their system, especially the kidneys.

Do Crackers Clean Your Teeth?

Many people believe that dry food helps keep their pet's teeth clean. That is a myth. The truth is that chewing will help keep your pet's teeth and gums healthy, so offer raw bones or natural dried chews. Or, do regular brushing with pet toothpaste (it tastes good, and, most importantly, doesn't foam up) or enzymatic pet mouth spray. Daily chewing will also ensure that any residual food is cleaned from the mouth.

What Else Is Missing In Dry Food?

To put it simply – life! Dry food doesn't have the enzymes that fresh food naturally contains. This forces the body to provide those missing enzymes itself, which can put stress on the system, especially the pancreas. Naturally occurring vitamins derived from food are always preferable to synthetic vitamins. Naturally derived nutrition is by design more balanced and usable by the body, and offers many trace elements that work together in the body.

The Bare Essentials

We know it's convenient to feed plain dry food, but we urge you to add just a few things:

Water: Number one, add moisture, at least in the form of good clean water poured over the food. You can also use diluted low-sodium broth or tomato juice, or products from our store like raw cultured goat milk and bone broth.

Nutrition Optimizers: These additions will do wonders to improve your pets' health.

Fish oil: healthy, anti-inflammatory fats that aren't in dry food.

A blended "green" supplement: provides antioxidants, minerals, and other micro-nutrients in their natural form that's easiest for the body to utilize.

Digestive Enzymes: an important addition for animals that aren't eating any fresh food or who suffer from chronic illness or are elderly.

Any Fresh Food You Add Is A Good Thing

You can add up to 25% additional fresh food to a dry diet without throwing off the balance too much. This could be fresh food from your own kitchen, or food purchased at Dexter's. Emphasizing fresh protein is the best, adding carbs like rice is not recommended.

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When to be Cautious

Is your dog or cat refusing to eat food they normally enjoy?

They could be telling you something.

Dogs & cats might refuse food because there's something wrong with it.

It could simply be that it gives them indigestion...

...but there are also situations where their refusal is because there is something truly wrong with the food, like rancid fats or adulterated ingredients that could be dangerous for their health.

If your dog is normally an eager eater respect what they are telling you.

Switch to a different food. Don't try to trick them into eating it with more and more toppings.

If you have real concerns about your dog's appetite it may be time to see your vet.



Cautions for “People Food”

“Table scraps” can indeed be bad for our pets if they are the unhealthy parts like cooked fat, fat trimmings, cooked skin, or foods cooked for the human palate that are full of spices, creams, or processed ingredients. And because Xylitol is toxic to dogs never feed “sugar free” sweets and desserts.

The key is adding a variety of *healthy, natural fresh food*:

- Raw, boiled, or scrambled eggs
- Raw or cooked lean meat (no deep fried stuff!)
- Tinned whole sardines (in water, no salt or flavoring, ex: Trader Joe's brand)
- Yogurt (plain), Kefir, or cottage cheese
- A few berries (hmmm, dessert!)
- Assorted green veggies (ground or grated is best if served raw).
- Sprouts

Some foods at Dexter's that mix well with dry food:

- The Honest Kitchen diets
- Smallbatch Freeze-dried, raw, or gently cooked diets
- Green Juju Freeze-dried or raw diets
- Primal Freeze-dried or raw diets
- Ziwi Peak Air-dried diets
- Most finely ground raw food diets (which can be lightly cooked if you prefer)
- My Perfect Pet diets

Common Fresh Foods You Should NOT add:

- Onions
- Large Amounts of Garlic (a clove a day for a medium-sized dog is fine)
- Macadamia Nuts
- Cooked Bones
- Raisins, Grapes
- Raw trout or pacific salmon
- Packaged foods (even peanut butter) sweetened with xylitol (aka birch sugar).