

Dental Care

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Looking after your pets teeth:

As a loving & responsible pet owner you should have a regular dental care routine for your cat or dog. It's important to start early in order to prevent serious dental problems that are often extremely painful for your friend - not to mention costly to treat and can involve surgery and teeth removals.

Here are some ways you can ensure a healthy mouth:

- Daily feeding of oral care treats such as *Greenies* (daily use is essential to achieve meaningful results)
- Introducing a dental specific diet to your pet such as *Hills T/D dry food*: a larger sized kibble that requires chewing, helps plaque to be scrubbed away from the tooth.
- Daily brushing of your pet's teeth using pet specific toothpaste (DO NOT USE HUMAN TOOTHPASTE - we stock *Dentipet* beef/chicken flavoured tooth paste). When it comes to choosing a toothbrush we recommend finger brushes, gauze swabs or squares of nylon stocking wrapped around your finger, or baby toothbrushes.
- Monthly checking of your pet's mouth (keep a look out for plaque/tartar build up in the form of yellow teeth, redness and swelling where the gum and teeth meet, foul smelling breath and tooth cracks/chips).
- Use Healthy Mouth daily by adding it to your cat/dog's drinking water to prevent plaque build up or Maxigard applied daily - these are like Mouthwash for pets.
- Visit your vet for dental checks twice yearly and book your pet in for professional cleaning (which involves general anesthesia) when required.



Bad breath is often a sign of dental problems, if you notice your pet has a stinky mouth then don't hesitate to book for a dental check up before it gets worse!



Dental treats are a convenient way to look after your pet's teeth. We stock a selection of 'Greenies' dental treats for cats and dogs at our clinic.