

Changing dog food

Food that is suitable for your dog

All of us who love our pets try to prepare some fresh food for our dogs as and when the time permits. It certainly gives some variety to your dog which is always fed out of packets. Our dog too will love this occasional treat. Sometimes when we try to offer our dog a healthier meal we include certain wrong ingredients or wrong food items in our recipe thinking that our dog will love it. This is done out of total ignorance and this can ruin the health of our dog on the long run.

So before you prepare food for your dog make sure to either consult your veterinarian about the food items to be avoided or refer a good book on pet food. However, there are some common food items that you must avoid:

Onions

We cannot do without onion for human recipes as they bring in a great flavor to the dish. So we presume that it will also make the dog food taste better and add a whole lot of onions like we do while cooking for ourselves. Veterinarians suggest that onion should be totally avoided in canine food as it leads to Heinz body anemia. If right care is not provided at the right time this can lead to serious form of anemia. So it is always best to avoid onion in your dog's recipe. Alternatively, you can add chunks of onion that can be removed before you serve the food so the food will have a gentle flavor at the same time it will not affect the dog's blood stream.

Chicken Bones

It is common knowledge that you must not add chicken bones to your dog's recipe because unlike animal bones, birds' bones form splinters when they break. This can tear your dog's intestine leading to internal bleeding. So make sure that you do not try this in your recipe even by mistake as this will put your dog to serious risk.

Chocolate

Like human beings dogs too enjoy chocolates but their system is not designed to handle the intake of chocolates. It must be totally avoided because it has a certain substance that is toxic dogs and the name of the substance that is toxic is theobromine.

Honey

Your dog will love honey because of its sweet taste but very little does it know that it is not good for its health. However, as a well informed owner of your pet you should not include honey in any of your dog's recipes. Also you must not allow your dog to take honey separately.

Alcohol

This is another great killer. Though wine and sherry bring great flavor to food they can be lethal to your dog as your dog's digestive system is not designed to handle alcohol.

These are not the only food items that you should avoid. There is whole lot of other things that you should avoid in canine food. We may not be having complete knowledge about the food items to be avoided. So to be on the safer side in stead of cooking your dog food you can opt for equally tasty natural dog food such as Flint River Ranch Natural dog food so that you don't have to worry about what to give or what to avoid in your dog food recipe.

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