

Holiday SAFETY TIPS

The holiday Season is upon us, and many pet parents plan to include their furry companions in the festivities. As you gear up for the holidays, it is important to try to keep your pet's eating and exercise habits as close to their normal routine as possible. Also please be sure to steer pets clear of unhealthy treats, toxic plants, and dangerous decorations.

HOLIDAY EATS!

Fatty, spicy, sweet and chocolaty human foods, as well as bones, should not be fed to your furry friend. Keep your pets away from the table, unattended plates and be sure the garbage is covered. With all those good smelling and tasty treats around your pet may be tempted sample some of the Christmas feast. Stick to pet approved snacks, check out our Safe to Enjoy section below!

SAFE TO ENJOY!

Looking for delicious and festive stocking stuffers? Stick to the pet approved treats found at your local pet stores and veterinary clinics. Although it is tempting to give Fluffy or Fido a Christmas snack from the dinner table it is best to, "just say no", and grab a tasty bone from the treat jar.

SKIP THE MISTLETOE & HOLLY!

Opt for jolly artificial plants or pet friendly bouquets this holiday season! Holly and mistletoe can cause gastrointestinal problems like vomiting and diarrhea. Mistletoe can also lead to cardiovascular complications.

OH CHRISTMAS TREE!

Securely anchor your Christmas tree so it does not fall or tip possibly causing injury to your pet. Keep plastic and glass ornaments out of wagging tail and paws reach. Shards of breakable ornaments can damage your pet's mouth, pads and digestive tract.

DON'T DRINK THAT!

Christmas tree water can contain fertilizers and is a breeding ground for bacteria. Keep your pet away from the water in your Christmas tree stand to prevent gastrointestinal upset, vomiting and diarrhea.

TINSEL-LESS TOWN!

Watch out for this shiny, shimmery kitty favorite. While it may be cute for your cat to play with tinsel, if ingested, this shiny Christmas tradition can turn into a nasty obstruction! Obstructions can cause vomiting, diarrhea, dehydration and possibly surgery.

WIRED UP!

Keep Wires and batteries out of paws reach. A wire can deliver a potentially lethal electric shock and a punctured battery can cause chemical burns to the mouth and esophagus.

