



Pet Care NOTES



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EAR ON THE SIDE OF CAUTION

One of the most common problems that a veterinarian sees in dogs is an infection or inflammation of the external ear canal. Pet owners often make the problem worse by traumatizing the ear during cleaning. The best way of preventing this is to visit a veterinarian once an ear problem is noticed to learn proper ear cleaning procedures. Dogs with long droopy ears, such as Cocker Spaniels and Irish Setters, are more predisposed to ear problems than those breeds with short, erect ears. As the ear folds, it covers the ear canal and prohibits air from entering and drying the canal. The result is a moist, warm ear canal that is the perfect environment in which organisms thrive.

Don't let your pet suffer needlessly with an ear infection. See your veterinarian for an accurate diagnosis and treatment, and then be sure to follow through with home care instructions. If you have any questions about caring for your pet, please don't hesitate to call us. We're a full service pet care facility, providing dogs, cats, pocket pets, rabbits, and exotics with complete medical, dental, and surgical care, including laser surgery and microchipping. We also carry a complete line of high quality pet foods, vitamins, flea & tick prevention products, and grooming products.

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