

Pet Care NOTES



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KEEP YOUR CAT'S TEETH HEALTHY

It's a great time to schedule an appointment with your veterinarian to see if your cat needs some dental care. More than 85% of cats older than four years have some form of gum disease. The bacteria on a cat's teeth and gums can not only cause bad breath and contribute to tooth loss, it can spread to other organs and cause infections. Regular veterinary care and good care at home can prevent gum disease. If necessary, your vet can clean the teeth, remove tartar, and fill cavities. He or she can even perform a root canal. Be sure to also take care of your cat's teeth at home with regular brushing.

We'll be happy to answer any of your questions concerning your cat's oral health. We can also show you how to open its mouth to check and brush its teeth or administer pills. Next month is National Pet Dental Health Month, dedicated to educating pet lovers everywhere on the importance of good dental care for pets. Why not celebrate by having your cat's teeth cleaned! Our goal is to provide quality services as well as sound owner education. When you need dental, medical, or surgical care for your pet, we welcome your call. Our patients include cats and dogs, pocket pets, rabbits, and exotics. Boarding & grooming services are also available.

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