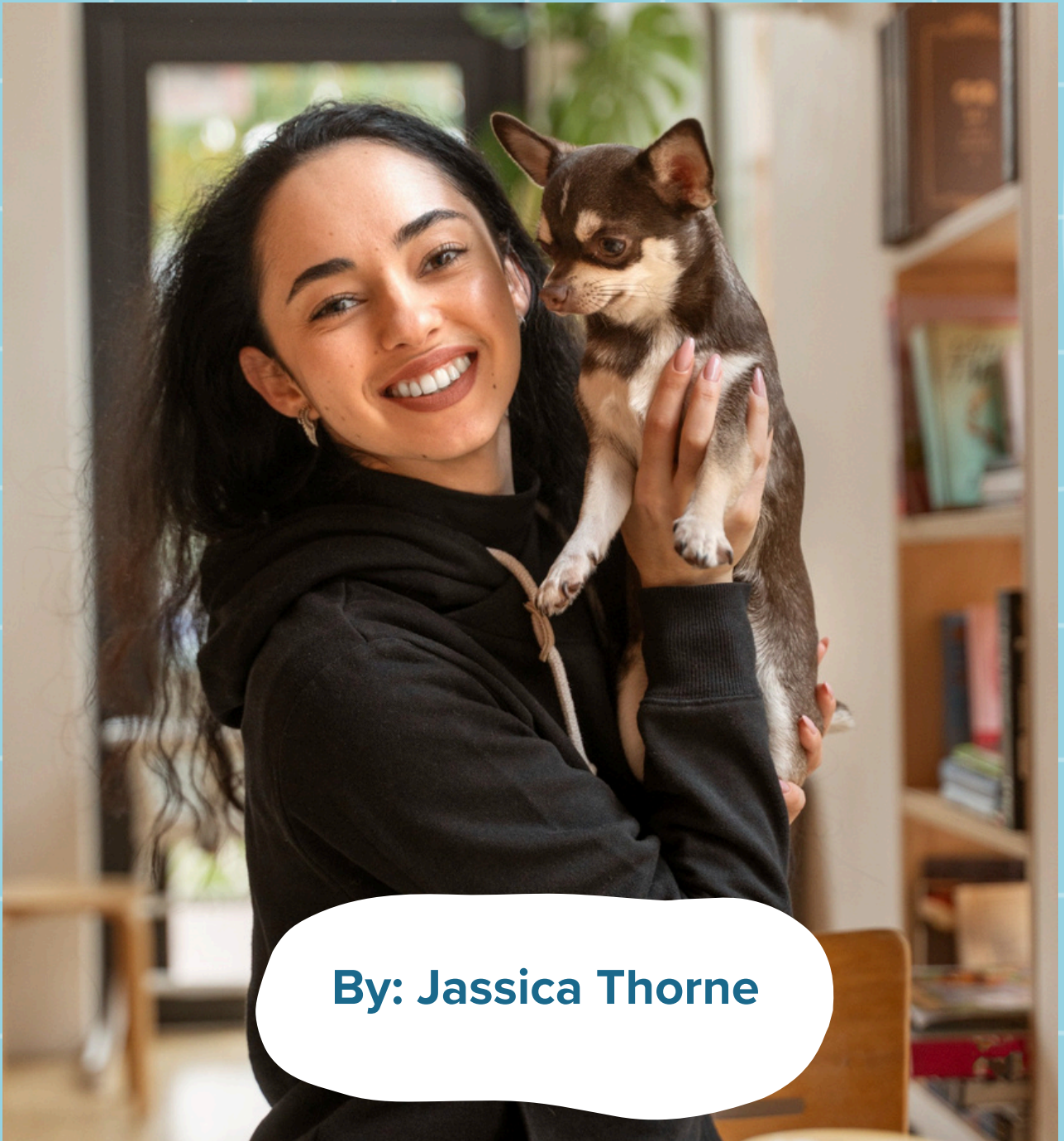
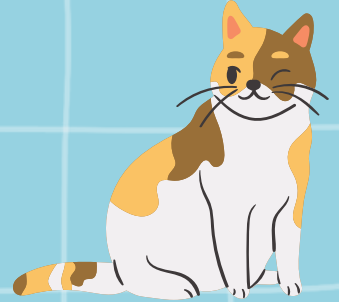
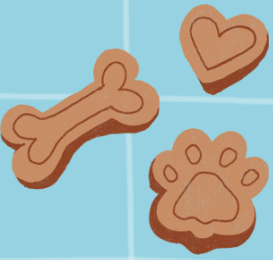


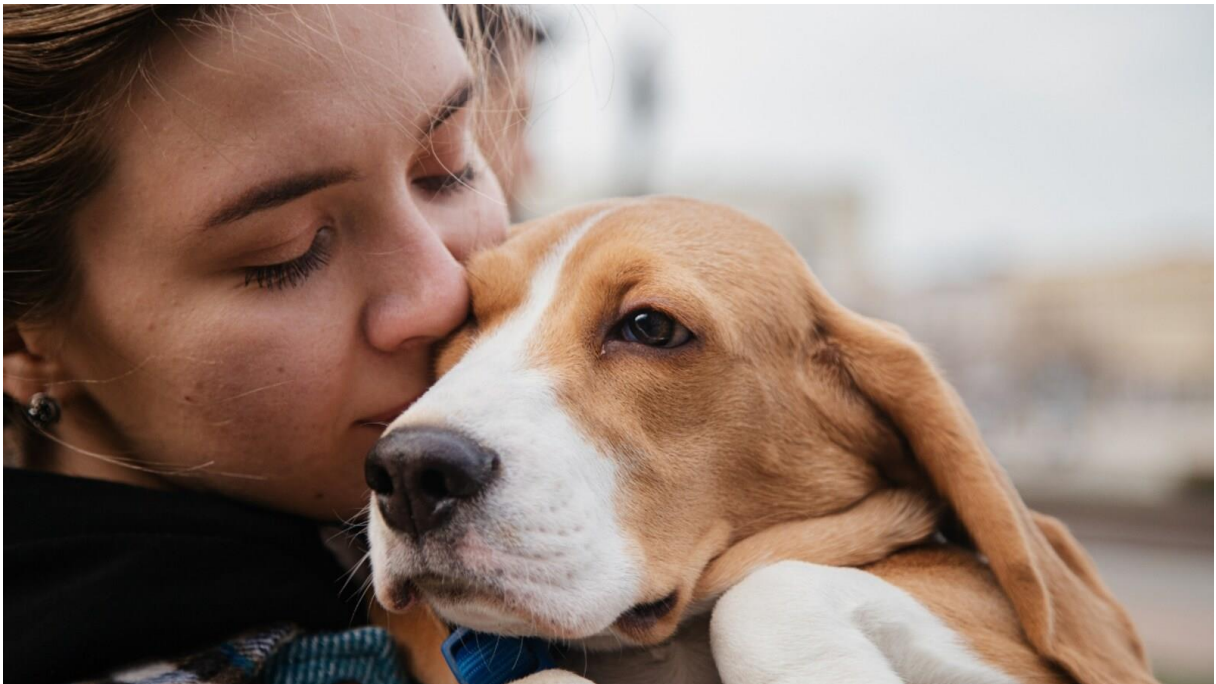
PET CARE MASTERY: SIMPLIFY YOUR LIFE AS A PET OWNER



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Abstract

Owning a pet enriches our lives in countless ways, yet it comes with its own set of responsibilities. "Pet Care Mastery: Simplify Your Life as a Pet Owner" is here to distill the complexities of pet ownership into clear, manageable advice. This guide covers all aspects of pet care, from selecting the ideal pet and understanding their needs to providing proper nutrition, healthcare, and training. By mastering these essentials, you'll create a harmonious relationship with your pet, ensuring their well-being and simplifying your daily life. Whether you're a novice or a seasoned pet owner in Perth, this guide offers the insights and tools you need to excel in pet care.



1. Introduction

Owning a pet is one of life's greatest joys, offering companionship, love, and endless entertainment. However, it also comes with responsibilities and challenges. "Pet Care Mastery: Simplify Your Life as a Pet Owner" is designed to guide you through the essentials of pet care, making your journey as a pet owner smoother and more enjoyable. From choosing the right pet for your lifestyle to understanding their nutritional needs, health care, training, and grooming, this guide will provide you with practical tips and expert advice. Whether you're a first-time pet owner or looking to refine your pet care routine in Perth, our comprehensive approach ensures you have the knowledge and tools to give your furry friend the best life possible, while also making your life easier and more organized.

2. Tips to Keep Your Pet Happy and Healthy



Our pets give us unconditional love. In return, it's our job to keep them healthy and happy.

Food is medicine for pets, just as it is for people, says Sarah Reidenbach, DVM, a veterinarian in northern and CEO of the nonprofit organization, Ruthless Kindness. If your dog's or cat's diet lacks certain vitamins and minerals, the nutritional shortfall can show up as hair loss, skin infections, or a noticeable sluggishness, she says.

With so many pet food choices available -- wet, dry, refrigerated, home cooked, grain-free -- how do you know which one is best for your furry friend? "It's completely overwhelming," Reidenbach acknowledges. "Really, what works for your pet is your guiding principle."

She recommends that you check the package to make sure the brand meets standards, which certifies that the food contains balanced nutrition.

Stick to the recommended portion size, and don't give in to those sad puppy eyes when your pet begs for treats. Obese dogs and cats can get the same chronic diseases as overweight humans, including diabetes and arthritis.

Exercise is essential for your pet's physical health and mental stimulation in Perth. But unlike humans, there aren't any guidelines on how much activity they need. Different breeds have different requirements, Reidenbach says. You can get a sense of your pet's activity level

when you play together. “Some breeds and personalities definitely need more stimulation than walking,” she adds.

If you have a high-energy dog, try an agility course, or take your dog with you for a hike, skate, or swim. For more of a bonding experience, do a downward facing dog with your real dog during an in-person or online yoga class. Just make sure your dog is well-behaved enough to stay by your side through the whole class.

Cats aren’t the best walking companions, but you can still keep them from getting too sedentary by incorporating play into every day. “Most cats like toys that remind them of prey -- things like dangling feathers or little cloth mice,” Reidenbach suggests.

If your pet has slowed down from arthritis, try veterinary acupuncture. Just like its human counterpart, this technique uses very thin needles to stimulate various pressure points around the animal’s body. Research shows acupuncture helps to improve movement and relieve pain in dogs and cats. Plus, some pets find it relaxing.

One of the most important things you can do for your pet is to take them for vet visits about once a year, and get all their scheduled vaccinations. During those appointments, bring up anything that doesn’t seem right. “Coughing, vomiting, losing weight, going to the bathroom in the house more than normal -- anything that seems off to you,” Reidenbach says.

4 Tips



Reidenbach, shares practical advice on how to keep your pet healthy.

1. Limit human foods. Too many table scraps can lead to weight gain. Be extra careful about people foods like chocolate, grapes, raisins, garlic, and macadamia nuts, which are toxic to pets.
2. Don't overdo supplements. Most are not well-studied in animals. Ask your vet before you give your pet any supplement.
3. See a behavior specialist. Veterinary behaviorists can help with issues like separation anxiety, aggressiveness, or excessive fear.
4. Pay attention to your pet's cues. Let your dog or cat tell you what makes them happy, whether that's a belly rub or some extra space.

3. How To Start Training Your Pet



Puppies are constantly learning, whether it's from their environment, from socializing with people or other animals, or from direct training.

This creates a critical foundation that will set the stage for their adulthood. Providing puppies with the appropriate socialization and basic puppy training allows them to grow into confident adult dogs.

Follow this step-by-step puppy training guide to set you and your puppy up for success!

When Can You Start Training Your Puppy?

Training a puppy starts as soon as you bring them home, which is typically about 8 weeks of age. At this young age, they can learn basic puppy training cues such as sit, stay, and come.

Puppy Training Tips

Here are some basic puppy training tips to get you started.

1. Use Positive Reinforcement



There are many different methods of training your puppy that you might have heard about or even seen in person with a dog trainer. However, there is only one acceptable and scientifically backed method of training, and that's the use of positive reinforcement.

Positive reinforcement is the process of giving a reward to encourage a behavior you want. The use of punishment—including harsh corrections; correcting devices such as shock, choke, and prong collars; and dominance-based handling techniques—should be avoided. These methods can produce long-term consequences that result in fear and anxiety for your dog as an adult.

To apply positive reinforcement to your puppy training, first find out which rewards work best for your puppy. Some puppies might find something as simple as a piece of their normal kibble exciting enough to train with, while others might need something tastier, like a special training treat.

Then there are the puppies that are not motivated by food at all! For those puppies, try to find a toy they enjoy that they can get when they do a good job. Praise is also a way to positively reinforce a puppy. Petting or showing excitement and saying, “good job!” may be all you need for basic puppy training.

2. Keep Training Sessions Short

Puppies have short attention spans. When training a basic cue, keep the sessions short—about five minutes each—and try to average a total of 15 minutes per day. End your session on a positive note so they’re excited for the next session.

3. Use Consistency When Training Your Puppy

It’s important to be consistent in your approach to cues and training. Use the same word and/or hand signal when you teach your puppy basic cues such as sit, stay, and come.

It’s also important to reinforce desired behaviors consistently, even when it’s not convenient. So if you’re potty training your puppy and they’re at the door needing to go outside, stop what you are doing, let them out, and reward them for going to the bathroom outside.

4. Practice in Different Environments

Taking a puppy to a new environment, such as a park or the beach, and asking for a cue is vastly different than training at your house. This is because of the new sights and smells they’ll encounter, which aren’t present at home.

Make attempts to practice in different settings. This will set your dog up to be confident, no matter their situation.

But keep in mind that puppies should not go to areas where there are a lot of dogs until they have finished their puppy vaccination series. You can always talk to your veterinarian about safe ways to socialize and train your young puppy.

5. Be Patient

Puppies are growing and learning, just like young children. They will make mistakes and may not always understand what you are asking.

All puppies learn at different speeds, so stick with it and don't get frustrated. Maintaining a consistent routine with feeding, potty breaks, naps, and playtime will make your puppy feel secure—and a secure puppy is ready and able to learn!

4. How To Make Traveling With Pets Less Stressful



Welcome to Pet Peeves, a monthly series that aims to provide pet care solutions and expert advice in Perth for challenging scenarios that involve your beloved animal companions.

Traveling with pets may be relatively simple for those whose dogs love nothing more than jumping in the car and enjoying a weekend at the beach or a countryside getaway. But the reality is that not all pets find the experience or a change of scenery entirely comfortable. Whether you're going on a road trip, traveling by train or flying with a cat or dog, it's wise to have a plan: This means not only knowing what medical needs and documentation you should be on top prior to traveling, but also having a sense of how your pet will react to being in a carrier, a moving vehicle or a hotel room before you head out on a trip.

To ensure you have all the tools you need to minimize stress and maximize comfort the next time you're traveling with your pets, I talked to a veterinarian and a certified dog behavior consultant and trainer. Below, you can find expert guidance—plus my own advice, as someone who has traveled with both cats and dogs—about how to prepare, including what to discuss with your vet and what products could be helpful to have on hand.

Decide Whether It's In Your Pet's Best Interest To Travel

If it's not absolutely necessary to travel with your furry friend, consider your individual pet and whether taking them with you might be a positive or negative experience overall. "I really urge pet parents to think about their pet's preferences, stress levels and behavior," says Juliana DeWillems, owner of JW Dog Training. "Really think about if your dog or cat will have fun on the trip... Think about scenarios that stress your dog out, like crowds, other dogs, certain people, kids. Will those triggers be present a lot on your trip?" If so, she adds, it might be "best to leave your dog at home." DeWillems also says she generally doesn't recommend traveling with cats, who are especially sensitive to a change in environment.

Whitney Miller, DVM, chief veterinarian at Petco, also advises doing some research if you're traveling to an unfamiliar area; for example, assess whether it's pet-friendly and if there are places to buy emergency pet supplies if needed. And, of course, ensure that wherever you're staying allows pets on the premises. "It might be better to leave your pet at home if you're going to be walking around a lot and visiting places that are not pet-friendly in Perth, if it will consistently be very loud or you will have to leave your pet by themselves in a hotel all day," she says.

How To Prepare For Traveling With Pets

If you're going out of town with any pet, first and foremost, make sure that they are microchipped, vaccinated and up to date on flea, tick and heartworm preventatives. While this is applicable for all cats and dogs—and year-round—it's particularly important to keep pets safe in the summer or if you're headed to a warm destination.

"Before traveling anywhere, especially long distances, out of state or internationally, you should see your veterinarian for a checkup and let them know about your travel plans," says Dr. Miller. "For interstate travel, you'll typically need a health certificate issued within a certain time frame (typically three to 10 days depending on the state)." For international trips, check out the CDC's guidelines on traveling with pets for more information on requirements. Dr. Miller adds: "A pre-trip checkup is also a great time to ask about calming supplements if you have concerns about travel, and ask if your vet is aware of any pertinent information for the area that you're visiting, such as outbreaks, wildlife, special vaccine requirements or other regulations."

Whether you're traveling by car, plane, train or bus, "once you've identified what your pet will need to cope with during your travel, you can focus your training on recreating those conditions in a slow and positive way," says DeWillems. "This is why giving yourself ample time is important: You can go at your pet's pace. You can introduce them to the carrier, or work on longer and longer car rides, or practice having them under a seat in front of you in a way that they can feel comfortable with."

And if you're using a crate or carrier to transport your pets in Perth, make sure it's not used exclusively during travel, adds Dr. Miller: "A crate is a safe space for many pets in daily life, and it can help them feel more secure to be transferred in it while in the car or plane. When introducing it to your pet, don't rush the process and allow them to explore at their leisure."

While calming treats or supplements for cats or dogs can be helpful to have on hand, they still may not provide the ideal result if you have a highly anxious pet. So if you know that they get very stressed in a carrier or during car rides, you might want to chat with your vet about prescription solutions, such as anti-anxiety medication.

Tips For The Trip



If you've decided to bring your pet (or pets) along for the trip, here are a few tips, tricks and helpful products to make the experience as seamless and stress-free as possible.

Feed Them A Few Hours Before Leaving

"It's best not to feed your pet directly before you begin your travel or during your travel time," says Dr. Miller. "Try to stick to their existing schedule, but feeding three to four hours before you begin travel is ideal as it gives your pet time to digest their food before traveling." And if they take any medication or supplements, remember to pack enough to last the trip, plus a little extra in case you have any travel snafus.

If You're Traveling By Car...

Make sure your pet is properly secured when they're in a vehicle, no matter how short the drive. "This helps prevent distracted driving and keeps your pet safe if you stop suddenly or get in an accident," says Dr. Miller. "For dogs, I suggest a dog seat belt, crash-tested harness

or another appropriate device, such as a booster seat or kennel that can be properly secured.” And remember to never secure seat belts directly to your pet’s collar in Perth or leash for optimum safety.

I’ve had experience with the Maeve pet car seat from Tavo Pets, which, while an investment, is constructed using the same child safety standards as children’s car seats and rigorously tested for safety. For something a bit more budget-friendly, you can try a basic dog seat belt, a crash-tested harness that’s certified by the Center for Pet Safety or a booster seat that can be secured in your car. For cats, Dr. Miller advises a travel-safe carrier. A portable litter box will also come in handy, both during long rides and once you get to your destination.

Some other options for helping your pups stay comfortable include using a Thundershirt or weighted vest (or a heartbeat pillow, if you have a puppy). You can also consider spraying your dog’s carrier or your car with calming spray and/or using a pheromone collar. (DeWillems recommends the brands bSerene and Adaptil.) And if you’re taking a road trip and may be stopping in the evenings to give your dog a relief walk, a reflective vest can help ensure visibility in quieter areas with limited street lights.

If You’re Traveling By Plane...

Many of the guidelines for traveling by car can also apply to flying, in terms of reducing stress for your pet. That said, you need to be mindful of a few additional regulations. To start, make sure you have an airline-approved pet carrier that can fit under-seat and ensure you’re following all the guidelines of your particular airline. Chewy has a handy airline pet policy guide for all U.S. airlines, which includes information about weight and breed restrictions, fees for flying with pets and more. (Also note that emotional support animals are typically not considered service animals; these are two separate distinctions, so check your airline’s policy for what is required if traveling with an ESA versus a service animal.)

If you have a larger dog and are (rightfully) concerned if the only option is to fly with them in cargo—and you’re working with a bigger budget—the brand Bark has recently launched Bark Air, which is basically an airline for a handful of passengers and their dogs, chock-full of dog-friendly amenities. (I recently got a chance to check out one of the private jets.) Bark Air currently travels to limited destinations but has noted plans to expand service and ideally reduce prices down the line. It could be a convenient option if you’re moving cross-country or abroad with your dog, for instance, or can’t drive to your destination.

If You’re Staying In A Hotel...

If you’re bringing your dog or cat to pet-friendly accommodations—and you’re able to leave them unattended—you want to keep a few things in mind. First off, if you know your pet has separation anxiety, re-evaluate whether or not to take them with you to begin with—let alone leave them alone in a room. For all other situations, a pet camera may be helpful to

keep in your hotel room if you'll be away for any amount of time, as well as a blanket or mat from home that has their (or your) scent. You also want to leave your dog with some enrichment activities like a frozen Kong or long-lasting chew, and perhaps consider running a white-noise machine while you're gone.

5. Guide to Pet-Proofing Your Home



When you live with dogs, especially a new pup, you learn quickly how fast your home turns into one big chew toy and just how much, ahem, mess (no judgement here) is left in each room. It doesn't take long for a curious dog to discover trash and socks under your couch and oh doggie, all those interesting cords plugged in everywhere! A treasure trove to our dogs that just happen to be quite dangerous.

Every room in your home offers another opportunity for dog-proofing. From the kitchen and laundry room to the bedroom and living room, there are some surprising hazards. But don't worry! It doesn't take long to modify your decor and furniture so that your dog has lots of comfy room for relaxation.

How to Dog-Proof Your Home Room-by-Room

Of all the rooms inside your home, the kitchen, bathroom, and laundry rooms tend to be the most hazardous, but any room can pose risks, so it is imperative to spend time in each room in your home. Invest in sturdy baby gates to help section off rooms or prevent access to

spaces you don't want your dog to enter. Once you make these areas in your home safe, your dog will have plenty of great places for rest and relaxation.

Dog-Proofing the Kitchen

Kitchens are riddled with not-dog-friendly items like food, medications, and cleaning supplies. They offer your dog the most chances to find, and consume, things they shouldn't. But once they are dog-proofed, kitchens can make great doggie hangouts.

- Keep medications stored in cabinets that can be locked or on high, secure shelves
- Keep all food off of counters and store in containers with tightly closed lids
- Consider installing child proof latches on low cabinets
- Keep garbage in pet-safe trash containers that lock via a pedal mechanism
- Install baby gates and pet gates that prevent access to the kitchen

Dog-Proofing the Living Room



The most common concerns in living rooms are electrical cords, fireplaces, opened windows, and reclining chairs. This is likely the room your dog will frequent the most with you so making sure it is safe for them is of the utmost importance.

- Unplug cords and put them away when not in use
- Block off access to the fireplace with a baby gate or fireplace screen
- Keep windows closed and cover them with curtains when not at home
- Make sure reclining chairs are never left open when not in use
- Make sure any plants you have are safe for dogs and keep them out of reach
- Put away breakable items and remove decor from coffee and end tables
- Put away any small toys, like puzzle pieces or Legos, in bins with lids

Dog-Proofing the Bathroom

Bathrooms can be a dog's favorite place to check for interesting morsels to taste and fun "toys" to test out. Keeping cabinets closed, and better yet the door to the bathroom shut, is the best way to practice good management.

- Keep the toilet lid closed and consider installing a seat-lock
- Keep trash cans in a cabinet or use pet-safe containers
- Remove bath toys and loofahs or sponges when not using them
- Never leave curling irons on counters and unplug and put away blow dryers
- Keep toilet paper rolls stored in containers or use a roll protector or cover

Dog-Proofing the Bedroom

Bedrooms are commonly used for confining a dog to a safe area. Before you use your bedroom as a place for your dog to relax, be sure to remove items that can become a choking hazard and don't leave out things you'd rather not become a chew toy.

- Close drawers and closets
- Check for loose socks and undergarments under the bed and put them away
- Make sure things like hangers, belts, and purses are safely put away and out of reach
- Keep jewelry, hair bands, and any small accessories in containers high on shelves

- Don't use mothballs! They are toxic to pets

Dog-Proofing the Laundry Room

Laundry rooms can pose lots of risks to curious canines. Some hazards are obvious and others are more discreet. When in doubt, prevent access to the laundry room entirely.

- Keep cleaners in secure closets or high on shelves
- Clothing, towels, and undergarments should be kept off the floor
- Keep the doors to the dryer and washer closed at all times
- Dryer sheets should be kept in a closed container high on a shelf

Dog-Proofing the Yard



Dogs should not be left outside unsupervised but if you decide to let your dog use a doggie door to the backyard for potty breaks you must ensure the space is safe and secure. Holes, loose posts, and unlatched gates can make easy escape routes for bored dogs and dogs should never be left unattended near pools or play equipment.

- Make sure all plants in the yard are pet-safe
- Remove all lawn equipment including gardening tools

- Double check that the fence is in good repair and an appropriate height
- Block access to balconies and high steps to prevent falls
- Block all access from swimming pools of any size

6. Handy home hacks for people with pets



Our pets are our best friends; they turn our houses into homes and are proven to have hugely-positive effects on our physical and mental wellbeing. However, and we're sure most pet owners in Perth will agree, this all goes out the window when you discover your beloved furry friend has covered your couch in dirt and fur or perhaps pee'd on your new rug.

As cute and cuddly as your pet may be, they're also naturally inclined to dig, chew, shed and – well you get the gist – making it hard to keep your home clean and odour-free.

To make things a little easier, we've rounded up some of our favourite cleaning hacks for pet owners, so you can live harmoniously with your four-legged friend and still have nice things.

1. SHEDDING HAIR

Are you constantly trying to remove pet hair from your couch, cushions and clothes? Protecting your couch with a blanket is the easiest way to prevent this but won't be totally

effective in stopping sticky fur from taking over. Lint brushes, tape rollers and rubber gloves are great for removing hair when your vacuum can't quite get it all.

2. PREVENT CHEWING

Like all babies, puppies will go through a teething stage and will be happy chewing on whatever they can get their teeth into – literally! The upside is that they will eventually grow out of this but, in order to protect your furniture, there are a few tricks you can try in the meantime.

Essentials oils like citrus or clove rubbed onto chewing 'hot spots' like table legs and skirting boards should put a bad taste in your pups mouth.

Make sure you have plenty of exciting chew toys on hand to prevent your puppy from seeking out things they shouldn't.

3. REMOVE URINE STAINS

Even if your pet is toilet trained, accidents can happen. If your cat or dog has mistaken your favourite rug for a patch of grass or their kitty litter tray, don't despair, this natural cleaning method will banish stains and odours in a jiffy! First, soak up as much of the mess as you can with absorbent paper towel.

Next, create a 50/50 solution of white vinegar and water and pour or spray onto the stain and scrub with a soft brush. Finish by sprinkling over some bicarb soda and let it absorb, before wiping over with a damp cloth and vacuuming up any residue. Bicarb and vinegar are effective at removing stains and neutralising ammonia.

4. KEEP THE KITTY LITTER SMELL AT BAY

Changing your kitty litter every day is the best way to combat bad smells but adding a layer of bicarb soda underneath your kitty litter will also help to neutralise odours.

5. KEEP CATS OFF YOUR BENCHTOPS

Does your cat love getting up on your kitchen benchtop, especially when there's food being prepped? Keep cats out of the kitchen and away from your dinner by placing aluminium foil along the edges of your benches. Cats hate the touch of foil and it will also cause them to slip (ever so slightly!) so they will quickly learn to stop.

6. WET DOG SMELL

Get rid of that wet dog smell in between washes by spraying or dotting diluted lavender oil on the middle of your dog's back where they won't be able to lick it off. Not only will this

naturally eliminate odours but it will also help to keep fleas and ticks away and reduce anxiety.

7. MUDDY PAWS

Stop muddy paws in their tracks by always keeping an old towel at your door or in your car and wipe your dog dry after a particularly messy outing. This will save you trying to get mud out of the carpet or off the couch later.

8. WASH THEIR TOYS



When was the last time you washed your pet's toys? Not only do dirty toys smell, they also carry bacteria that's no good for you or your pet in Perth. Throw your pet's toys through the wash when they start to look particularly grubby!

9. KEEP PET BOWLS CLEAN

Cleaning your pet's food and water bowls regularly is important for their health. To prevent food from building up into a stubborn and sticky mess, brush the bowl with olive oil or coconut oil after cleaning to make future cleaning a breeze.

10. PET- FRIENDLY PLANTS

Does your cat or dog have a penchant for nibbling on your indoor greenery? This could be more harmful than you realise, as many plants can be toxic to cats and dogs. Do your

research and if you know there are plants in your home that are potentially harmful, keep well out of paws reach.

7. The Ultimate Guide To Pet-Friendly House Cleaning



Pet owners often face challenges in maintaining a clean and healthy home on a regular basis. You are responsible for dealing with muddy paw prints, accidental stains and fur messes to achieve a healthy home.

However, it can be a never-ending battle without proper strategies and cleaning schedules, especially if you have a dog or cat. The worst part is that leaving the areas dirty can harbour harmful germs, pet pests in Perth and other health hazards.

So, focus on pet grooming, regular dusting, and vacuuming to maintain a clean abode.

So, below is an ultimate guide to help prepare a clean house while letting you give a safe environment to your furry friend. This guide covers everything to make your life easier as a pet owner in Perth.

Let's Get Started!

Remove Pet Fur Using High-Quality Vacuum Cleaner

Pet hair or fur embeds deep inside your upholstery furniture, carpets, rugs and other delicate surfaces. vacate cleaning Perth recommend using a pet-friendly vacuum cleaner to remove pet fur and dirt without causing any damage to the fibres.

Use a HEPA filter and an efficient brush to extract hair without gliding over surfaces. Daily vacuuming is imperative if your pet is dealing with heavy shedding.

Quick Tip: Regularly clean the filters to prevent the unpleasant smell of clogged pet hair.

Act On Pet Stains Proactively



Even the best-trained dogs can have accidents and leave stains behind. So, being a responsible pet owner, ensure that you act on urine stains or clean the vomit instantly.

Removing pet stains from floors and hard surfaces is easier than carpets, couches and rugs. All you need is warm water, vinegar and soap solution. Spot-clean the area using a microfiber mop or cloth. Scrub it for settled stains.

For carpets and other delicate surfaces, consider the following hack:

- Absorb the excess fluid using paper towels.
- Add equal parts of vinegar and warm water in a spray bottle
- Spray the solution on the affected area
- Blot the surface with a clean cloth
- Repeat the process if required
- Sprinkle a generous amount of baking soda to banish bad odours
- Vacuum and freshen up your carpets.

Steam cleaning is also an ideal way to revamp your floor coverings. Ensure you allow your carpet to dry completely after cleaning to prevent mould growth.

Wash Pet Toys And Bedding

These can be the prime source of germs infestation, fur and bad odours. Thus, wash the bedding and soft toys of your dog or cat in hot, soapy water. Toss them in a washing machine and add one cup of white vinegar to tackle stubborn stains and grime.

The majority of pets have a favourite toy that they take everywhere with them. Such toys get carried throughout the house, which includes places like the yard and the dog park. You might even take them when going on a walk with your furry friend. So, it is essential to clean them. Similarly, pets spend a lot of their time in bed.

Quick Tip: Wash bedding on a regular basis to prevent the spread of fur and germs.

Clean And Disinfect Pet Bowls

Dirty bowls of your pet can lurk harmful germs, causing various health problems. Make sure you regularly clean them in hot, soapy water. Rinse well with plain water and air dry before refilling.

You might assume that just wiping out the pet bowls occasionally will be enough. But that is not the case. Regular cleaning is important. By doing this, you can keep the rest of your family members safe from unwanted pathogens.

Neutralise Pet Odours Naturally



Do not use chemically-laden room fresheners or deodorisers for your home with a pet. Toxic fumes can irritate and affect their respiratory system. Luckily, you can fight bad odours without chemical cleaners:

Baking soda: Tackle bad smell from delicate floor coverings and upholstery.

Essential Oils: Use lavender, orange, and rose to freshen your home.

White Vinegar: The solution of white vinegar can do wonders in tackling stains, bad odours and grime.

You can also hire certified vacate cleaners in Perth to clean your rental property before the final inspection. They can help you avoid rental disputes by transforming dirty premises into sparkling glory.

Upgrade Your Couch

Pets, especially dogs, spend most of their time on a cosy sofa. The problem here is that upholstery furniture is a magnet for fur or pet hair. So, it can be great to upgrade your couch and look for pet-friendly furniture, such as a leather sofa. It won't embed fur, and cleaning the surface is quick and easy.

Purify Indoor Air



Lingering pet smells can affect the indoor air quality. So, it is to open your windows for 10 minutes and let fresh air come in. Make sure you clean air vents to keep dust, dirt and grime at bay.

You can also install indoor plants to remove allergens from the air and keep your home and pet healthy.

If you are preparing a rental property for the first time, contact experts for a quality vacate cleaning Perth and secure your hard-earned bond money. They will clean everything according to the checklist for your peace of mind.

Prepare A Dog Cleaning Station

Set up a dog/pet cleaning station at your entryway to prevent the muddy paws and other pet mess inside the home.

If there is a lack of space, transform your laundry room into a dog-cleaning station.

Tip: Keep a spray bottle, paper towels and wipes in your entryway.

Regularly Groom Your Pets

Setting up a pet grooming routine can reduce the amount of fur, dirt and grime in your home. It can also keep them clean, healthy and happy. So, washing your pet with plain water and using shampoo once a week is good. This will keep dirt, mud and fur at bay. After an outdoor adventure, clean their paws and maintain a healthy home.

Don't forget trimming and de-shedding depending on the breed of your dog. Make sure you brush your pet outside the home to prevent the invasion of loose fur inside your home. Practising these hacks can keep your furniture and carpets fur-free.

Make sure you read the pet laws when renting a property or ask questions to your landlord for better clarity.

Conclusion

In conclusion, mastering pet care is essential for creating a harmonious and fulfilling relationship with your pet. By simplifying the complexities of pet ownership, you can ensure your pet's health, happiness, and well-being while making your life more organized and enjoyable. "Pet Care Mastery: Simplify Your Life as a Pet Owner" equips you with the knowledge and tools to navigate every aspect of pet care, from selection and nutrition to healthcare and training. Embrace these principles to become a confident and competent pet owner, providing your furry friend with the best possible life and strengthening the bond you share.

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