

Pet Safety Tips!

HOW TO HAVE A SAFE HOLIDAY WITH YOUR PETS

Top 6 Things To Keep in Mind This Holiday Season

HOLIDAY TREE

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The tree hosts many dangers for your pets. The water in the tree stand may contain fertilizers, depending on the source of the tree which would end up in the water as well as the tree sap. The still water can also be a breeding ground for bacteria. Some people also put aspirin in the water to keep the tree fresh. If the tree water is ingested, it can cause stomach upset, vomiting and diarrhea and possibly more serious issues depending on what is in the water.

GIFTS

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The gifts under the tree can be potential dangers for your pets too. Never put edible treats under the tree, your pet can smell them and could try and eat them along with the packaging which could be toxic, a choking hazard and or cause intestinal problems.

GIFT WRAP & RIBBONS

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Foil gift wrap and ribbons can be a choking hazard and cause intestinal obstructions if ingested. Keep your pets safe by keeping these items out of their reach.



HOLIDAY PLANTS

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Although these plants can make your home festive, they can be harmful to your pets. Poinsettias, Holly, Mistletoe, Amaryllis and Lilies can be toxic to your pets.

FOODS

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During the Holidays many people are coming and going. Be sure that your guests know the rules for your pets. No food or treats without your permission. The following foods are harmful to your pets: yeast breads, cookies, candies, nuts, (macadamia nuts can be toxic to dogs), chocolate, alcohol, fatty foods, meats, bones, and sugar free items.

HOUSEHOLD & TREE DECORATIONS

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Tinsel, if ingested can cause intestinal obstructions. Dogs think that you put those decorations (glass balls) on the tree just for them. If broken, the glass can cause injury to the pet. Cats love to climb the tree which can be dangerous. Electrical cords, lights, candles and additional decorations can be attractive to your pet and potentially life threatening if chewed or ingested.

5 GREAT GIFT IDEAS FOR YOU AND YOUR PETS



What better gift for your pet than quality nutritional supplements.



Get your pets some healthy snacks this Holiday Season.



Get your pets some toys to give them a mental and physical workout.



Purchase Gift Certificates for Pet CPR & First Aid Classes.



Don't have time to walk your dog, hire a professional pet sitter or dog walker. The perfect gift for you and your pet.