



Happy Thanksgiving from Lap Dog Rescue of NM!

Thanksgiving is traditionally a time for festive feasts with family and friends. Unfortunately, all those rich foods can be a recipe for disaster for our pets. What foods should you keep away from your four-legged friends?

The Top Thanksgiving food hazards for pets:

- Fat from meats like turkey and ham can cause pancreatitis
- Bones can splinter and cause choking and intestinal obstruction
- Raisins in cookies and breads can lead to acute kidney failure
- Pecans and other nuts in pies and baked treats can cause seizures
- Alcohol is toxic for pets and can lead to alcohol poisoning
- Chocolate, coffee and caffeine can cause vomiting, diarrhea, and other issues, including death
- Xylitol is used as an artificial sweetener and can lead to liver failure
- If in doubt, don't share your food with your pet.

We want our pets to be safe and healthy all year long. Contact your veterinarian if you suspect your pet has gotten into some food that should be off-limits to them. For more information, check out www.aspca.org/pet-care/animal-poison-control/people-foods-avoid-feeding-your-pets.

Enjoy the your holidays and keep your pets healthy and safe!

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