

HELP PETS HAVE AN EGGS-CELLENT

EASTER

Easter plants

Popular flowers such as lilies, daffodils, and tulips, can be toxic to pets. It's best to avoid bringing these into your home. If you do have them, make sure they're out of reach of your pets, and consider using artificial flowers instead.



Easter treats

Chocolate can be toxic to dogs and cats. Theobromine, a chemical found in chocolate, can cause all sorts of nasties from vomiting and diarrhoea to seizures and worse. Watch out for foods containing raisins, grapes, onions, garlic, and xylitol - a sugar substitute commonly found in sugar-free gum and sweets. Keep these in a cupboard or high shelf. Dispose of food wrappers promptly, as pets can be attracted to the smell.



Easter Decorations

Easter decorations, such as plastic grass, ribbons, and small toys, can pose a choking hazard to pets, and can even cause intestinal blockages if ingested. Keep decorations out of reach of your pets. Supervise them closely when they're around any Easter-themed items.



Traveling with Pets

If you plan to travel with your pet during Easter, ensure they're up to date on all their vaccinations and have any necessary medications. Bring plenty of food and water for the journey, and they're secure in their carrier or within the vehicle - see the Highway Code for more.



Visitors and management

Visitors can be exciting or scary for pets, depending on their character and previous learning experiences. Using barrier systems such as dog gates and pens can help manage visitor arrivals and exits safely. Create a 'chill out' space your pet can retreat to if they're feeling overwhelmed. Expend some energy prior to visitor arrivals by taking your pooch out for a walk. Playing calming music in this chill out area can help mask the sounds of excited visitors - and provide your pets with interactive food toys.

