

# FOOD THAT'S **POISONOUS** TO YOUR PETS

Many pets love treats, and as owners we love using them to reward, or help train our pets. However, there's lots of food that can be very harmful to our furry friends, and it's our responsibility to ensure we don't feed them or leave them in reach for them to eat.

Read this guide to make sure if you're giving your pet a little titbit, that it's not toxic, or will cause them to be unwell.



## ARTIFICIAL SWEETENERS

Artificial sweeteners if consumed by pets can cause their bodies to mistake it for real sugar. This can lead to their blood sugars dropping dangerously low from reacting to the artificial sweeteners, which can then lead to tremors, seizures, coma, or serious illness.

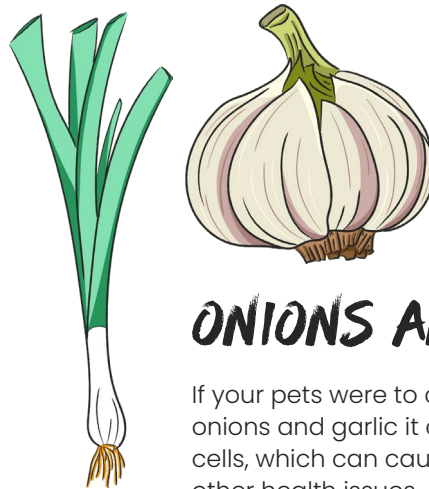
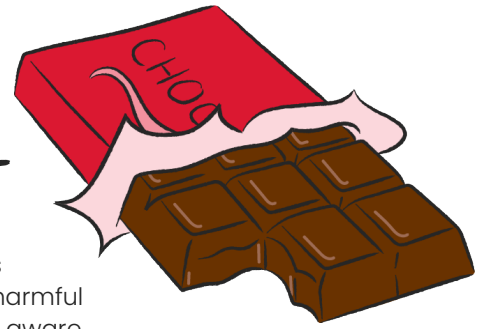


## CAFFEINE

Caffeine is common for people, but if given to dogs or cats it can cause muscle spasms, hyperactivity and affect their heart rate drastically which can lead to them being very unwell.

## CHOCOLATE

Known as the top food that's harmful to dogs, but is also harmful to cats too! Most owners are aware it's not a good treat for your pets, but if left in reach it can be a very common reason for a trip to the vets!



## ONIONS AND GARLIC

If your pets were to consume a large amount of onions and garlic it can damage their red blood cells, which can cause serious stomach upset and other health issues.



## GRAPES, RAISINS, SULTANAS & CURRANTS

Closely followed by chocolate, grapes and dried versions of the fruit are very toxic to dogs. They can all cause kidney failure and unfortunately there's no way of knowing how many grapes it would take to trigger this. So best to keep these away from your pets!



## ALCOHOL

Although it's unlikely our furry friends will have the opportunity to drink alcohol, it's important to not give them the opportunity to drink any! Depending on the size of your pet will depend on how much they suffer, but it can cause serious side effects, and leave your pet feeling really unwell.

**There are many other foods that can be dangerous to both dogs and cats, so if you're unsure, please check before you give your pet a snack. Sometimes the safer option is to choose from the wide range of pet treats available.**

**If your pet does happen to eat any of the above food or has a reaction to any food, please consult your vet immediately.**