

POISONOUS FOODS FOR CATS

Cats are curious, and sometimes that curiosity leads them to eat something they shouldn't. Some items may cause mild upset, while others can be seriously harmful or life-threatening.

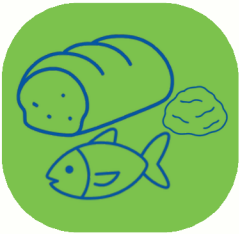
Protect Your Cat: Foods to Keep Out of Reach



Onions, garlic, chives, and leeks can damage red blood cells and cause anemia, while grapes and raisins may lead to kidney failure.



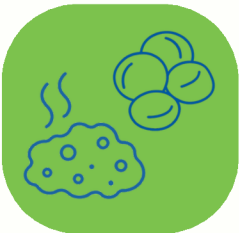
Chocolate (especially dark) contains theobromine, which is toxic to cats, and xylitol found in sugar-free products can cause liver failure.



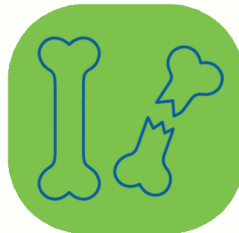
Raw dough expands in the stomach and produces alcohol, and raw fish may carry parasites or cause thiamine deficiency.



Fatty meats, salt, and avocado (especially the pit, skin, and leaves) can cause vomiting, toxicity, or pancreatitis.



Macadamia nuts, moldy foods, and spoiled leftovers may trigger weakness, tremors, or severe illness due to toxins.



Cooked bones can splinter and pose a risk of choking, internal injury, or intestinal blockage.



Alcohol and caffeinated drinks can harm dogs, causing poisoning, overstimulation, or coma



Lilies, non-prescribed medications, and most essential oils are highly toxic to cats and can cause poisoning or kidney failure.

What to Do if Your Cat Eats Something Dangerous

Stay calm and call your vet right away even if your cat seems fine, symptoms can be delayed.

If your vet isn't available, contact:

- ASPCA Poison Control: (888) 426-4435
- Pet Poison Helpline: (855) 764-7661

Don't induce vomiting unless directed by a vet. Be ready to share what your cat ate, how much, and when.

When in Doubt, Leave It Out!

Cats are sensitive even small amounts can be harmful. Stick to cat-safe treats and keep toxic items out of reach.