

TCK Resources

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● Pet Safety

Kitchen Hazards

Xylitol (sugar-free gum/PB), grapes, onions, and chocolate are the most common household risks.

Garden Watch

Lilies (fatal for cats) and Sago Palms are high-risk plants. Keep fertilizers stored away.

● Body & Health

The Rib Test

You should feel ribs easily (like the back of your hand) but not see them. Lean pets live up to 2 years longer.

Vital Checks

Healthy pink gums and bright eyes are the goal. Check for new lumps or bumps during weekly snuggles.

● Joy & Enrichment

Brain Work

Snuffle mats and puzzle toys satisfy the natural foraging instinct and tire a pet out better than a bowl.

Scent Exploration

A 15-minute "Sniffari" walk where they choose the path is deeply rewarding mental exercise.

● Care Tips

Handling Practice

Gently touch paws and ears daily with treats. This creates a "fear-free" experience for vet visits.

The Pet Proxy

Always leave a signed medical authorization form for your pet care specialist in case of emergencies.

Expert Insight: Knowledge is the best care you can provide. By understanding these basics, you're not just a pet owner—you're a **proactive advocate** for your companion's long-term happiness.