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Home Cooking for Your Dog is the first holistic cookbook for dogs to include recipes for cooked meals, treats, and the raw food diet—a big trend in the pet industry. User-friendly, chop-licking recipes like Fido's Fishcakes, Potluck Polenta, and Peanut Butter and Coconut Cakes call for healthy ingredients you can find in your local grocery store (or may already have at home) to create balanced, nutritious meals for a healthier, happier dog. Headnotes provide nutrition information, cooking tips, and anecdotes from the author about her own four dogs to help readers transition their dogs to a homemade diet. Illustrated with a combination of irresistible color photographs of dogs and humorous line art, the book is a must-have for dog owners everywhere. A portion of the proceeds will support animal rescue.

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Juli Anna says

Given the cutesy cover and bloggy design, I thought this would be a fairly useless read. Boy, was I wrong. I just brought home my first dog and am trying out cooked meals for him, and this book is the best resource I've found, hands down. There is something about the discreet form of the book that makes big topics like dog nutrition more approachable than the Internet does. These recipes are easy, varied, use mostly common, practical ingredients, and are portioned in a useful way. There aren't too many treat recipes (some books are almost nothing but), and there are even a couple of recipes for Kong pastes. Lots of useful, practical nutritional information, too. I ended up buying a copy of this one after I renewed the library book too many times.

Angela says

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Dixie says

I borrowed this from the library, but *Home Cooking for Your Dog* is another book I think I need to add to my reference library. The recipes range from simple to decadent. Since we have a pancreatitis pup, we have to stick with the low-fat recipe options. I am going to make two of the simple recipes this week: Grilled Chicken, Brown Rice, and Beets and Tuna Steak and Potatoes. One star off for the use of wheat flour in the majority of the treat recipes. We try to avoid wheat flour in our multi-pet household.

Rhonda says

Husband & Daughter already made the pumpkin spice treats for our former shelter pups. They got 2paws up award. This book is full of inspiration for bakers with furry friends

Becca says

Just a bit of background. We had a golden/aussie mix that we took to the vet when she was about 12 years old and found she had pancreatitis. We thought she was surely going to die, but our vet kept her for nearly 2 weeks and nursed her back to health. When she came home, we were told by her vet that the food we'd been giving her was probably the culprit. We talked with friends at a vet school and began feeding her real food on their suggestion and she regained her health and became as puppylike as a 12 year old dog could be. She lived another 4 years and we were both so grateful for every day of it.

So when we adopted a puppy after she passed away, I should have immediately started him on real food, too. But I was worried about feeding the right amounts of nutrients to a 10 week old puppy to keep him healthy, so we started feeding him puppy food at first. TMI: He constantly had diarrhea that smelled rancid and horrible and looked like nuclear waste - I took him to the vet, they said he was fine and asked, what are you feeding him? They suggested a special brand that they carried and cost a small fortune. We bought it and he got a bit better, but not much and after a bit, he just wouldn't eat it at all. So, we started feeding him what we had given our dog before and he immediately improved. He would come running at meal times and lick his bowl clean. But because I was still worried about feeding him the right amounts, I found this book.

I can't even tell you how much this has helped. It's easy, it doesn't cost as much to feed him (he's 3 1/2 now) and the second dog we have now as it would to feed them the expensive "high quality" stuff from the vet, and they are super healthy and happy. I highly recommend this book to anyone who wants to put in the little extra effort to feed your best friend better. (I won't judge anyone who can't for cost or time or whatever reasons, either, but if you've been thinking about it, definitely check out this book.)

I also recommend Feed Your Best Friend Better. I think it is the better of the two, personally, but both have their strong points. In Home Cooking for Your Dog, I really appreciate the pullout card with serving sizes by dogs weight and safe food chart.

Swanbender2001 says

This was helpful as I work towards making my eight month old puppy homemade dog food.

Carrie Klein says

Great easy to follow/ basic /home cooking /cookbook for dogs!
