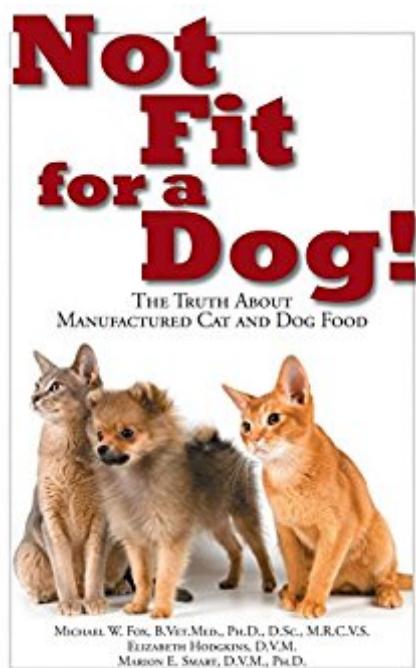


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# Not Fit For A Dog!: The Truth About Manufactured Dog And Cat Food



## **Synopsis**

Highlighting the dangers of modern pet food--how it is unbalanced, creates addiction, and often contains ingredients that can literally poison your pet, this book destroys the myths propounded by pet food companies that human food is bad for pets, and that natural food diets are unsafe. Three veterinarians share their expertise and scientific evidence, providing an in-depth appraisal of the pet food industry and what people are feeding to their cats and dogs. This revolutionary book teaches how to read pet food labels and what ingredients to avoid, how to save on pet bills by preventing diet-related disease in pets, why veterinarians are often ignorant of the health effects of manufactured pet food, how a change in diet can cure many diet-related illnesses, and why organic farming practices and suppliers can be the best choice for pets. Armed with this information, people will be able to provide a better and healthier life for their animals.

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## **Customer Reviews**

This book provides an easy to read overview of pet food industry practices, problems, and the possibly devastating impact of packaged foods upon the health of your dog or cat. Dr. Fox (and Co.)

provide background information for the toxic pet food recalls a couple years ago, and explain how lack of oversight and profit margins, along with common veterinary decisions could lead chronic or fatal health problems. How is pet food produced? What is in the food, and how does it affect your animal? Equally important, this book informs pet owners of humane and practical solutions to common health problems which are CAUSED BY PET FOODS: allergies, urinary tract infections, diabetes, obesity, etc. Very important differences between canine and feline physiology and nutritional requirements are discussed, and a few alternative easy home-made recipes for dog/cat food and treats are also provided. Good information about pet vaccinations and nutritional tables are included in the appendices. If your pet is sick, listless, fat, or allergic... You should read this book! The food you provide your animal could be making things worse, not better. THIS BOOK IS HIGHLY RECOMMENDED FOR ALL PET OWNERS.

I found this book due to one of my cats recently being diagnosed with diabetes. Although my cat hadn't displayed any of the typical physical symptoms, his blood sugar was in the 400 range when he went in for a minor surgery to remove a benign cyst. Anyone that has a pet and wants to take the best care possible has to read this book. A true eye opener. For years I fed my cats what I considered the best "natural" food possible. This book quickly brought to my attention the pet food scam that pet owners are buying in to every day. This book delivers the information in facts that cannot be denied. After reading this book, I am completely aware now that all of the marketing and commercials for pet food by companies, including most veterinarian offices, is just that - marketing - to make a profit. You'll never feed your pet the same way again after understanding the "business."

I was in a phase where I had just bought myself a kitten and as usual I always overload on research to make sure I am doing everything right. I stumbled across some pet food recalls on the internet but wanted to know more detail about pet foods. This book sure did it for me. It has tons of information some of it disturbing at the least. If you own a cat or a dog I suggest you pick this book up and give it a read. Even if you choose not to believe it I think it is still an interesting read. There is so much in this book that you cannot find on the internet. I even went and bought other books similar to this one by other authors and for a month I could not stop reading about the "truth about manufactured dog and cat food".

I am half way through this book and I am sick at what I am reading. I lost a 5 year old golden retriever to the Mars/Menu melamine food debacle 5 years ago and after spending much time and

money to try to save him, not to mention the suffering he must have encountered, I am convinced the dog food industry from research to the actual manufacturing of the food needs to be scrutinized with a fine tooth comb. To quote the author, "the AAFCO rules are so lax and so unscientific that no food today is really tested in any nutritional valid way. Nothing has changed in testing requirements in over two decades." I currently have two golden retrievers, 7 and 6 years old who I love dearly. One we almost lost to pancreatitis three years ago. I have always researched foods before choosing and have always gone for the company that has their own facility and produces only their foods and no others on their machinery. I spend around \$50/20-30lb bags every 3-4 weeks. I am really concerned since the manufacturer sold their company to Proctor and Gamble who, I am afraid will be buying lower quality ingredients and vitamins, minerals from China. You must read this book. It will sure open your eyes and make you rethink what you are feeding your animals.

This is an excellent compilation of information available in various (and numerous) other resources plus additional insights and information that I had not seen anywhere else. Drs Fox, Hodgkins and Smart did a great service to pet owners that are concerned - or merely interested - in what is or is not included in our pets' commercially available food. The information is clearly and concisely presented, and the appendices are a great addition to the text. Highly recommended for those who have concerns about what they feed their pets.

Much, but not all, of the information provided in this book is verifiable. It was good reading, but some parts were repeated in different chapters. I buy much of what the book states, especially that concerning cat and dog nutrition as well as genetically modified foods (not an advocate myself). I myself am very careful of what I eat, so apply many of the same principals to my pets. If could go all organic I would but it is price prohibitive, as is buying lots of canned foods. The author did come off somewhat fanatical, but that was entertaining too! I've changed my pets diets and now make all their treats and much of there "wet food". This way I know what the heck is in there and I like that.

I already knew manufactured dog food wasn't the best but needed to get the recipes. Same for the cat food. Every time I take in a stray cat and start it on bagged cat food it gains a ton of weight. The vet said to feed it less but the truth is that it's all the carbohydrates in the food that pack on the calories.

I guess I had my head in the sand. I remember the dog food "crisis" from a couple of years ago but

believed I was "safe" because I fed my yorkie a prescription diet for her liver problems. After I read in this book that most dog foods are made by the same 6-7 companies, I realized I was wrong. For the past month, I've been preparing all her food and she is having far fewer sick days. Book is well written.

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