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# DE-WORMING

DID YOU KNOW... roundworms can lay up to 200,000 eggs a day. Your unprotected pet can become infected with these parasites if they come into contact with an area contaminated with another animals feces. The health risks to both indoor and outdoor pets can be severe, even fatal, and symptoms may not be apparent until it's too late. Humans, especially children, can also become infected from pets that carry these worms. Call us at (780) 458-6051 for more information on a cost-effective de-worming treatment that will protect your entire family. You can also read further information about deworming on our website: [www.tudorglenvethospital.ca](http://www.tudorglenvethospital.ca)

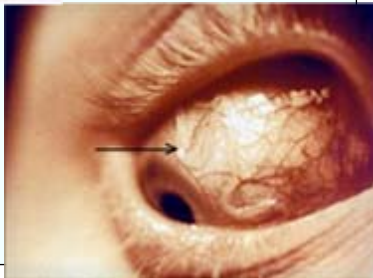


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### Examples

*LEFT: Intestinal Roundworms found inside a dog*

*RIGHT: A worm migrated into the eye of a young boy after he contracted it by coming into contact with an area contaminated with parasite eggs.*



## How will I know if my pet has parasites?

You won't. That's why it's important to deworm your pet monthly. It's hard to know if the animals that your pet comes into contact with has worms or not, which puts your pet at risk.

## How are people infected with animal parasites?

People, especially children, can be exposed to animal parasites when they work or play in areas contaminated with parasite eggs - contaminated soil in sandboxes or the garden. Children are often less careful about hygiene, more likely to put dirty hands in their mouth and often play in dirt, grass or sand. Parasite eggs cannot be seen by the naked eye, but are present anywhere stools from an infected animal are found - cats, dogs and some wild animals. Sometimes fruit and vegetables, such as strawberries and carrots, growing close to the ground can also be contaminated. If not carefully washed, they can also be a source of human infection.



## What is routine deworming?

Routine deworming involves treating your pets (cats and dogs) once a month with one tasty pill that most pets consider to be treats. This pill is given on the same day every month at home and prevents the development of several kinds of worms in your pet. This also prevents those same worms from being transmitted to your family. As mentioned, one female roundworm can produce more than 200,000 eggs per day - eggs that can remain alive in the soil for many years. These eggs can also survive freezing temperatures and overwinter in Canada. That means 200,000 chances that a parasite egg can reinfest in your pet, and may also harm you or your family.



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## TOP 5 SUMMER TRAVEL TIPS

Travelling with your pet can be fun, but the key is anticipating your pet's needs. Here are our top 5 tips to ensure everyone stays happy, healthy and safe:

1. Ensure your pet has been dewormed and had all its vaccinations before you make your journey and keep a record of these with you.
2. When travelling by car, plan for twice as many rest stops as you would for a small child. Bring plenty of fresh water, as well as extra food and treats.
3. Secure your pet in a crate, a travel carrier or a harness (pet seatbelt). NEVER leave your pet in a car on warm or hot days.
4. Research pet-friendly hotels and have a full understanding of what accommodations are available for your pet.
5. Carry an extra collar and leash in case theirs breaks, and also have your pet microchipped for identification purposes in case your pet gets lost.

**BONUS TIP!!** Carry a pet first aid kit. Please speak to one of our veterinary health care team for advice on what to include



The Canary Islands were named after a breed of dog. The Latin name was *Canariae Insulae* "Island of Dogs"

A cat will almost never meow at another cat. Cats use this sound for humans.

Studies show that people who own pets live longer, have less stress, and have fewer heart attacks.

## COMPLIMENTARY DENTAL CONSULTS



Tudor Glen Veterinary Hospital is pleased to offer complimentary dental consultations. The consultation will include an oral exam, a demonstration on how to brush your pet's teeth, a discussion on nutrition and a bag of dental food. We do not charge for these consultations - it's our way of promoting pet dental awareness. To book a complimentary consultation, please talk to one of our veterinary health care team at: 780 458-6051.

# GEMINI

21 May - 20 June

**CATS:** It's not often that cats obey a human command but Gemini cats are the exception. Being the most communicative sign of the zodiac they seem to understand what we are saying. They may meow back as if to answer us. They are extremely bright and will soon learn to open the cat flap for themselves. They are real charmers and capable of winning over the most avid cat-hater. Their fun-loving nature and bubbly personality makes for a thoroughly entertaining pet. The ancient astrologers made Gemini the ruler of sparrows so don't be surprised if your Gemini cat drops the occasional dead "offering" at your feet.



**DOGS:** Gemini dogs have lots of energy, and they are always alert. They can be very inquisitive, they must see and know everything. Bring a package into the house and they must inspect it thoroughly. They can get easily sidetracked when trying to train so it may require some patience, however it is worthwhile as they are so much fun with their lively ways. They are very persuasive and can charm you into doing things their way. They love people - the more in the household the happier they are. Having lots of company will delight them. Try to make sure they get plenty of rest - they have a tendency to keep moving and playing, they love all kinds of toys and will play with anything.