

17 Ways to Show Pets You Love Them

- Make sure your cat and dog always wears identification tags
- Have your veterinarian microchip your pet in case they get lost and lose their collar
- Buy good quality, age-appropriate pet food
- Keep your cat indoors at all times, unless they are wearing a harness and leash
- Always have fresh water available for your pet
- Have your male cat and dog neutered
- Have your female cat and dog spayed
- Pick up your dog's droppings
- Scoop your cat's litter box daily. Replace the litter at least once per week, and add more litter as needed. Thoroughly wash and dry the litterbox frequently
- Clip your cat's and dog's nails
- Brush your cat and dog often to help keep them clean, and avoid tangles
- Always keep your dog on a leash when s/he is outside of your home or fenced yard
- Spend time every day playing with your pet
- Take your pet to the veterinarian once per year for a check-up and routine shots.
- Take your pet to the veterinarian if s/he is sick or injured. Dogs and cats need prescription heartworm medication, too.
- Provide toys for your pets, so they don't get bored
- Learn how to read your cat's and dog's body language, so you can understand them
- During warm weather, check your pet for fleas or ticks. If you find any, call your veterinarian
- Train your pets with kindness, praise, and a few treats, too!