



# FACTSHEET

## FELINE DENTAL CARE

### PREVENTATIVE CARE -

- Check your pets mouth on a regular basis (monthly). Look for sore/red gums. Tartar build up and bad breath.
- Dry food is helpful to have a brushing effect.
- A daily oral hygiene routine is very important. There are many products to make feline dental care much easier.....

VET AQUADENT - add to drinking water to help prevent tartar.

LOGIC ENZYMATIC GEL – Apply directly onto gums, or onto paws to be licked off.

TOOTH/FINGER BRUSHES – Use with a toothpaste formulated for animals.

VETERINARY CHECKS – A yearly check up is advised to monitor for dental disease.

### TYPES OF DENTAL DISEASE (PERIODONTAL DISEASE) -

- PLAQUE/TARTAR – Common cause of dental disease.
- GINGIVITIS – Inflammation of the gingiva/gum around the tooth.
- STOMATITIS – Inflammation of the oral cavity/inside the mouth.
- FELINE RESORPTIVE LESIONS – Erosion of the tooth, normally starting at the gum line. Sore painful lesions.

### ... A FEW FACTS

**CATS HAVE 30 PERMANENT TEETH...16 ON THE TOP, AND 14 ON THE BOTTOM.**

**ADULT TEETH NORMALLY EMERGE AT 3-4 MONTHS OF AGE.**

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