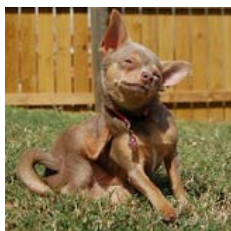




PET COMPANIONS FOR ALLERGY SUFFERERS

Spring is here. Are you enjoying the warmer weather, or are you sneezing and wheezing? Any allergy sufferer will say, 'tis the season for itchy eyes and antihistamines. Pollen and hay fever symptoms may be enough to make you want to keep to yourself, but what if you want an animal companion to keep you company? Many people believe their sensitivity to airborne allergens will also limit their ability to adopt a pet, but that is not the case. From exotic to domestic pets, we've put together a helpful guide for our animal-loving readers who want a pet but sneeze at the mere thought of pet dander. From tips on keeping your indoor environment low on allergens to scientific advances made to "cure" certain allergies, let us help you find a hypoallergenic pet!

HEALTH EMERGENCY FULLY VETTED



FOOD ALLERGY

Is your pet itchy out of season? Your dog may be experiencing an allergic reaction to its pet food.



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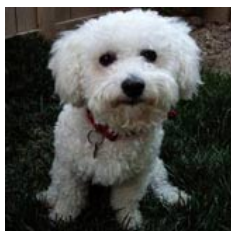
If your cat has trouble breathing, it could be feline asthma or heartworm-related respiratory disease.



PET PRONOUNS

It sounds clinical, but "it" is the correct term for a pet. So why does calling your furry friend "it" sound so bad?

DOG BREED NEWS CAT BREED



BICHON FRISÉ

A non-shedding curly lap dog, the Bichon Frisé makes a great indoor canine companion for people, children and pets alike.



DEADLY SHAMPOO?

The FDA has issued a warning report that Duoxo shampoo may have triggered a deadly asthma attack that killed a woman.



BALINESE

This longhaired feline produces fewer allergens than some of its furry counterparts, making it a good choice for people with dander sensitivity.