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Pesky Summertime Pests

Don't shun the sun for fear of fleas, ticks, or other unseen critters out there. Preparation is the key to fun.

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Don't Let Pests Ruin Fun in the Sun for Your Pets!

Hot summer days are here, which means more outdoor activities. The problem is that summer is flea, tick and heartworm season, too. As you go outside to play, pests are lying in wait, ready to make a meal of your pet. It is enough to make you want to keep Max and Tigger under lock and key and never let them out of the house.

DID YOU KNOW?
July 5th is the busiest day of the year for animal shelters
Source: American Humane Organization

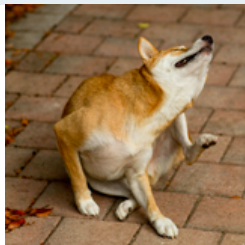
In this issue you'll find tips on how to have a pest-free summer, as well as what to do if they should become an issue. Also, find out which breeds fare better in warmer weather, why puppies need so many vaccines, and the advantages of outdoor cat enclosures.

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FELINE HEARTWORM
Although this is an uncommon affliction for felines, outdoor cats are at higher risk of contracting this mosquito-borne ailment.

Emergency



INTENSE SCRATCHING
Learn what you can do to manage, control and treat that *uncontrollable* urge your dog has to attack a chronic itch.

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DEATHS ON THE DECLINE
Over the last 40 years, the number of euthanized dogs and cats in the U.S. has declined from 20 million to 4 million per year.

Dog Breed



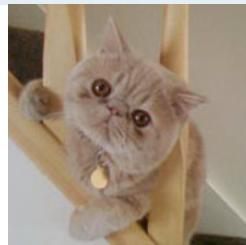
BASENJI
This elegant, "barkless" hunting canine's physical traits make it well equipped to handle the hotter climates of Africa.

Top 10



PEST CARE DON'TS
Avoid these common and potentially toxic pest control mistakes when you are trying to rid your pet and home of parasitic pests.

Cat Breed



EXOTIC SHORTHAIR
This short-haired "lazy man's Persian" has an easy going attitude and a low maintenance coat that sheds less.

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OUTDOOR CAT ENCLOSURES 101
When the intermingling of species in a household is limited by allergies, it's not always gloom and doom.

The Daily Vet



LOVE ME, LOVE MY DOG
Could Dr. Justine Lee's troubles with online dating be due to her love of pets? Read her experience and weigh in.

Purely Puppy



PUPPY VACCINES
The topic of vaccination is rife with peril, so Dr. Carroll is going to stick to the facts as she sees them, and as she was taught in vet school.