

Tasty Treats For Canine Friends Only

EPHRATA (Lancaster Co.) — Looking for a special gift for a pampered dog?

Make some dog biscuits or deer jerky. Your pet will gleefully gobble homemade pet treats.

If you have a friend who loves dogs, package some homemade dog biscuits in an airtight container and tie on a holiday ribbon. He or she will appreciate the thoughtfulness you show in remembering this often-forgotten family member.

Here are recipes from our readers.

Deer Jerky

1 pound venison (shoulder cuts, flank or round steak)

1/2 cup soy sauce
1 teaspoon garlic powder
Slice venison with the grain into thin strips, 1/4 to 1/2-inch wide and 2 to 6 inches long.

Paint on or dip the strips into a mixture of soy sauce and garlic powder.

Place on wire rack in deep oven pan; dry completely in 150-degree oven for eight to 12 hours.

Pet Bread Pudding

Preheat oven to 325°
Grease baking pan with butter.
Cube white bread and put in baking pan.

In bowl, mix 3 eggs, 1/2 cup sugar, 1/2 teaspoon vanilla and 1/2 teaspoon salt.

Add 2 cups scalded milk, beat thoroughly with wire whisk.

Pour wet ingredients over bread in baking pan.

Place baking pan in a pan of water in oven and bake for 1 hour just 1/2 cup each day.

This recipe is for dogs when they get sick.

**Sara Jane Simpson
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Dog Biscuits

2 cups whole wheat flour
2 cups all-purpose flour
3/4 cup cornmeal
4 tablespoons vegetable oil
2 cups boiling water
4 bouillon cubes

If desired, garlic, crisp bacon strips, bacon drippings or your dogs, favorite flavor.

Combine first four ingredients. Mix well.

Dissolve bouillon cubes in boiling water.

Add bouillon to flour mixture. Mix to make a stiff dough.

Roll onto a floured surface. Cut out shapes with cookie cutter or glass.

Bake in a preheated, 300-degree oven for 30 minutes.

Doggie Biscuits

1 1/2 cups unbleached flour
1 cup whole wheat flour
1/2 cup rye flour
1 cup bulgur
1/2 cup cornmeal
1/4 cup instant nonfat dry-milk powder
2 teaspoons salt
1 envelope active dry yeast
1 1/2 cups chicken broth
1 egg, slightly beaten with 1 teaspoon milk

Turn oven to 300°F. Mix the first 8 ingredients with a wooden spoon in a large bowl. Heat chicken broth to lukewarm; add to flour mixture. Stir until dough forms. Roll out dough until it is 1/4-inch thick. Using a large dog biscuit for model, cut out bone shapes from dough. Place on greased cookie sheets. Brush dough with egg glaze. Bake bones for 45 minutes. Turn oven off. Biscuits should remain in oven overnight to harden. Makes 50 3-by-1-inch bones.

Chocolate Canine Chews

18 Chews
3 1/2 cups whole wheat flour
2 1/2 cups oatmeal
3 tablespoons corn oil or margarine
2 squares (1-oz. each) unsweetened chocolate
2 cups water or milk
3 tablespoons brown sugar

Preheat oven to 300°. Mix flour and oatmeal together. Heat water, oil, chocolate, and sugar over low heat, stirring occasionally, until chocolate melts. Pour into flour mixture and stir until well mixed. Dough should be stiff.

Pat out dough to 1/2" thickness on lightly oiled cookie sheet. Cut with doggie biscuit cutter and remove scraps. Pat out scraps and proceed as before.

Bake for 1 hour or until brown and crisp. Cool on wire rack.

Rye Crisps

16 Crisps.
2 cups rye flour
1/2 cup soy bean flour or 1/4 cup each white flour and cornmeal
6 tablespoons oil
2/3 cup warm water

Preheat oven to 350°. Blend flours. Mix oil with water and add to flour. Mix well, dough should form a ball.

Pat out dough to 1/4" thickness on lightly oiled cookie sheet. Cut with doggie biscuit cutter and remove scraps. Pat out scraps and proceed as before.

Bake for 40 minutes, cool on wire rack.

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Master Recipe for Dog Biscuits

10 Biscuits
2 1/2 cups whole wheat flour
1/2 cup powdered dry milk
1/2 teaspoon each salt, garlic powder
6 tablespoons margarine, shortening, or meat drippings
1 egg, beaten
1 teaspoon brown sugar
1/2 cup ice water

Preheat oven to 350°. Combine flour, dry milk, salt, and sugar, cut in shortening until mixture resembles cornmeal. Mix in egg, add enough water so that mixture forms a ball.

Pat out dough 1/2" thick with your fingers, on a lightly oiled cookie sheet. Cut with doggie biscuit cutter and remove scraps. Pat out scraps and proceed as before.

Bake for 25-30 minutes. Remove from oven and cool on cake rack.

Variations and helpful hints for the master recipe. To vary flavor and texture add one of the following:

1 cup pureed cooked green vegetables or carrots

6 tablespoons whole wheat or rye kernels (available at health food stores)

2-3 tablespoons dried soup greens

3 tablespoons liver powder (available at health food stores)

Mix in the ingredient of your choice when you add the egg, then proceed with the basic directions.

The master recipe may be made in your food processor. Divide recipe in half and proceed with your processor's directions for pie dough.

Cover cookie sheet with tinfoil and just reoil between batches. When you are finished, no clean up.

Dog Biscuits

1 1/4 cups whole wheat flour
1/2 cup quick rolled oats
1 egg, beaten
1/2 cup white flour
1/2 teaspoon sugar
3/4 cup dry powdered milk
1/4 cup yellow corn meal
1/2 cup hot water
1/3 cup vegetable oil

1 tablespoon chicken or beef bouillon granules or 1/4 cup canned grated cheese (add 1/4 teaspoon garlic powder)

Mix all. Roll on floured board. Cut with cookie cutter. Makes 3 dozen.

Oven: 350°, for 15-20 min., until dry.

Microwave: 50%, 5-10 min., turning every 2 mins.

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"Doggie" Oatmeal-Peanut Butter Cookies

3 cups whole wheat flour
1 1/2 cups bran flakes cereal
1/2 cup quick cooking oatmeal
1 teaspoon salt
1/2 cup beef drippings or safflower oil

2 eggs, beaten
1 cup milk
1/2 cup peanut butter, smooth
1/4 cup brown sugar or honey

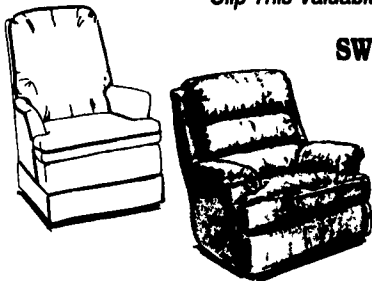
In mixing bowl, combine dry ingredients. Stir in drippings or oil, eggs, milk, peanut butter and brown sugar or honey. With hands pat dough out on lightly floured board and cut in shapes suitable for your breed of dog. Place on cookie sheet and bake at 350° for 20 minutes.

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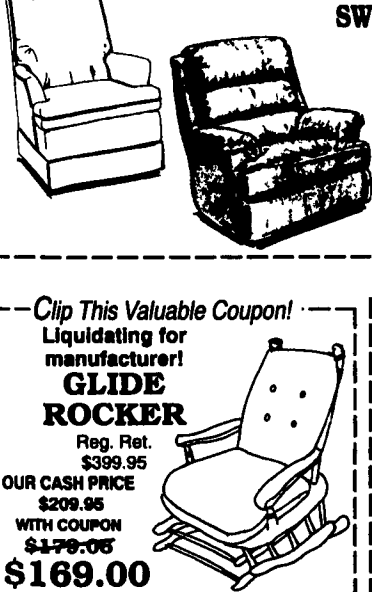
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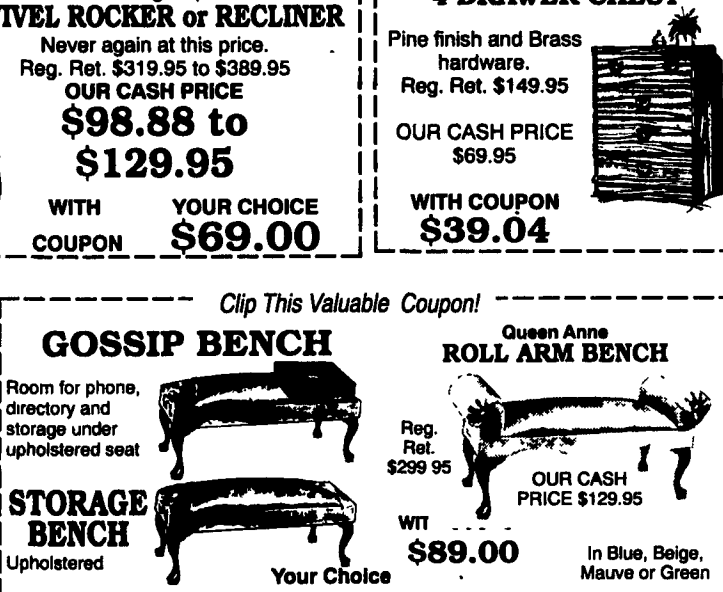


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