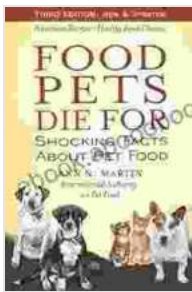


# Shocking Facts About Pet Food That Will Make You Rethink What You Feed Your Furry Friend

As a pet owner, you want to give your furry friend the best possible care. That includes feeding them a healthy and nutritious diet. But did you know that the pet food industry is full of secrets and scandals?



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In this article, we'll reveal some shocking facts about pet food that will make you rethink what you're putting in your pet's bowl.

### 1. Pet food is often made with low-quality ingredients

One of the biggest secrets of the pet food industry is that pet food is often made with low-quality ingredients. These ingredients can include:

- By-products: These are the parts of animals that humans don't eat, such as lungs, spleen, and intestines.

- Filler ingredients: These are ingredients that add bulk to pet food but provide little nutritional value, such as corn, wheat, and soy.
- Artificial flavors and colors: These ingredients are added to pet food to make it more appealing to humans, but they can be harmful to pets.

These low-quality ingredients can lead to a number of health problems in pets, including digestive problems, allergies, and even cancer.

## **2. Pet food is often recalled**

Another shocking fact about pet food is that it is often recalled. In 2019, there were over 100 pet food recalls in the United States alone. These recalls were due to a variety of reasons, including:

- Contamination with harmful bacteria, such as Salmonella and E. coli
- High levels of toxins, such as lead and mercury
- Foreign objects, such as plastic and metal

These recalls can be dangerous for pets, and they can even be fatal. If you're feeding your pet recalled food, it's important to stop feeding it immediately and contact your veterinarian.

## **3. The pet food industry is largely unregulated**

One of the reasons that the pet food industry is able to get away with using low-quality ingredients and selling unsafe products is because it is largely unregulated. The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) is responsible for regulating pet food, but it has very limited authority. The FDA can only take action against pet food companies after a product has been recalled or after it has caused harm to pets.

This lack of regulation allows pet food companies to put profits before the health of pets. They can use low-quality ingredients, cut corners on safety, and make false claims about their products without fear of repercussion.

## **What can you do to protect your pet?**

If you're concerned about the quality of your pet's food, there are a few things you can do to protect your furry friend:

- Read the ingredient list carefully. Avoid foods that contain low-quality ingredients, such as by-products, fillers, and artificial flavors and colors.
- Do your research. There are a number of websites and organizations that can provide you with information about pet food safety. The FDA website is a good place to start.
- Consider feeding your pet a homemade diet. This is the best way to control the quality of your pet's food and ensure that they are getting the nutrients they need.

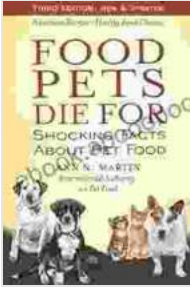
By following these tips, you can help keep your pet healthy and safe.

The pet food industry is full of secrets and scandals. Pet food is often made with low-quality ingredients, it is often recalled, and the industry is largely unregulated. This can be dangerous for pets, and it can even be fatal. As a pet owner, it's important to be aware of these facts and to take steps to protect your furry friend.

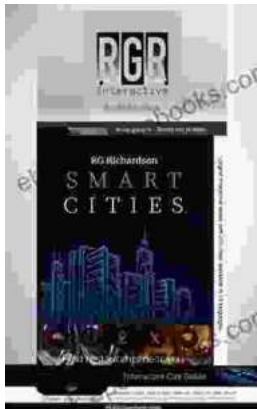
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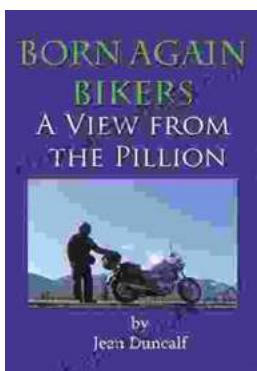


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