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Kong Feed Your Dog
THEY WILL LOVE
YOU FOR IT



Keeping our dogs happy, content, relaxed and entertained while we are away at work is the ultimate to ensuring we don't have damaged furniture, dug up gardens and barking complaints.

KONG have an amazing array of toys that assist in providing that ultimate and relieve boredom.

Follow the steps below to create your dog's working week and give them a different adventure every day.

Rubber KONG 's are an excellent choice of enrichment toy for young puppies through to seniors and those who just need to chew.

Feeding your pets

1. The first step to successfully using a KONG for feeding is to **retire** your food bowl for life. Turn that bowl into a water bowl.
2. Depending on the age and breed of a dog will depend on the type and colour of rubber KONG you will use.
3. Puppy Pink or Blue KONG Classic Purple Black



4. Prepare the rubber KONG PRIOR to feeding your pet out of it. This means soak the KONG in a container full of stock of some kind to remove the rubber smell. Leave it in the stock for 24-48 hours. Then remove it, dry it and bury it in your dogs dry food for three days. This way your new dogs feeding toy will smell like food and not like rubber.
5. **START EASY** - To teach your pet to use this new toy successfully, take a portion of their dry food and just pop it into the KONG. Put it on the ground and allow them to just roll and push it around. The dry food will pop out quickly and they will learn that pushing this around gets them their breakfast.
6. **MAKE IT HARDER** – measure out their breakfast. plugging the whole with little bit of mince of cheese and then give to them.
7. **DIFFERENT WAYS TO MAKE IT LAST FOR HOURS.** Once they can follow step 6, freeze it the same way. Then you can layer. Some biscuits, a bit of mince or cheese,



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more biscuits mince or cheese and freeze the lot. Within a few hours you will have a frozen chew toy to increase your dog's fun at meal time.

8. Split your dog's daily ration of food into a couple of KONGS and hide them around the house or garden.

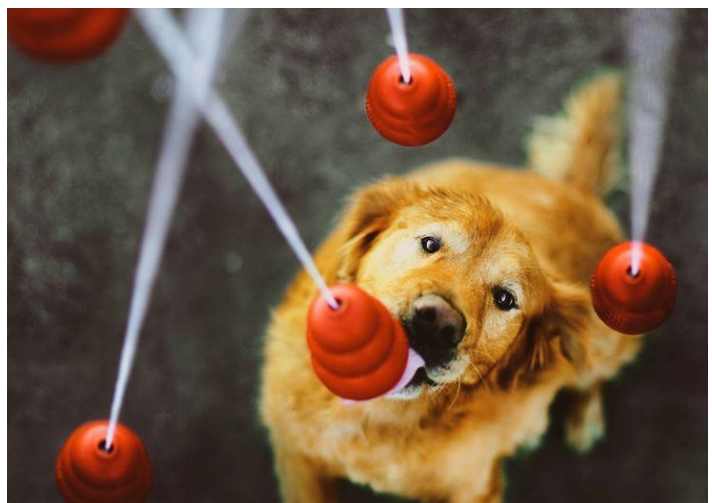
Flavour Your KONG With Different Tasty Fillers

1. Get some low fat shredded cheese. Pop into the rubber KONG. Microwave for a few seconds so the cheese melts and the KONG is warm but not hot. Add in the dog biscuits, shake around covering your finger with the hole and the cheese will spread through the KONG. Once it cools give to your pet. The cheese sticks to the biscuit's and makes it harder to get out but yummiier to eat.
2. Stuff a KONG any way you like. Add plugs of vegemite, cream cheese or some of their wet food. Put into a container and then fill with water or stock and freeze. It becomes a puzzle in an ice block.
3. Stuff your KONG with tuna or sardines and then freeze. – For dogs who love that fishy taste.
4. Freeze your KONG with a rope through it and tie it to a post or ledge where your dog must work hard standing on all fours to reach it. Drop your frozen KONG into their wading pool for them to find. (fabulous for Labradors)
5. Thread a rope through the KONG and place lots of loose treats inside. Now suspend between 2 trees or garden fence posts and encourage your dog to jump up at the KONG to dislodge the treats like a KONG piñata
6. Cover your KONG with doggy toothpaste to freshen up your dog's breath



Play Time Means Fun Time

1. KONG's bounce and are fantastic to use as a retrieve toy. The shape and design of KONG make its bounce erratic and helps stimulate innate chase instincts
2. Thread a rope through the KONG and allow your dog to chase it as you drag it around on the ground. If you add in loose bits of dried liver, your dog gets a treat on the way.
3. If your dog loves water, place KONG on top of a sprinkler so that the water sprays through the KONG; they will love this change and have great fun trying to get it while getting wet.
4. Place plenty of dry treats inside and play catch between 2 people. Best to do this outside as food can fly everywhere. A treat shower and chase at the same time.
5. Thread 2-4 or more small or medium KONGs onto a long line or long piece of rope, knot it to secure them. Great for a variety of games including hanging from a tree or high point so dog must jump, tug or drag around on the ground.
6. Teach your dog stay, then toss two KONG's and watch your dog run in every which way to chase and fetch.
7. Carefully unpick a stuffed dog toy and remove all the stuffing; now place your unstuffed KONG inside and stitch the toy back up; now you have got a cuddle toy that is super bouncy and erratic and safe.





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Training Time

1. Teach your dog to hunt. Put 3-6 KONG's on the ground. Have food under all of them to start with and as the game gets better, remove the food from some of them. Your dog will use its nose to smell out the ones that have the biscuit.
2. Use different coloured KONG's as long as your dog is not a strong chewer. Teach your dog to find the colour and bring back the right KONG.
3. Use that smelly KONG your dog loves to teach it to come back to you. Allow your dog to wander off in a secure place to start off with such as your back yard. As you call show them the KONG. This can create a really reliable recall and one you can use down at the beach.
4. Teach a "go to" exercise placing the KONG in a specific place you wish your dog to be, such as his bed
5. Wrap your KONG in bacon and drag it along the ground to help teach your dog nose work or tracking skills. A well stuffed, bacon covered KONG is the prize reward at the end.





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Stimulation Time

1. By Hiding their breakfast or dinner with a stuffed meal KONG, encourages your pet to use up excess energy and stimulates the brain to work and hunt for their food.
2. Use the game above but hide it in a room or in their crate that they have to open a door to get into. NOTE this is only for dogs who can do this exercise or for owners who want dogs to learn this exercise.
3. Use several KONGS to create a pyramid or pile of KONGs stacked up but only one of which has the treats inside
4. Teaching your pet to hunt is fun. Start by walking a KONG and hiding it in an easy place. Use a short trail of their dog biscuits. As the dog gets better at this game, they are smelling your scent rather than the biscuits so make the biscuit trail less and less.
5. Freeze a puppy KONG for baby teething puppies. This will assist your pup in their teething stage and stop your home from being chewed to pieces.
6. KONGS are not a rubber toy to just leave in the house. We are sure there are many other ways you will find to make your dog's life more exciting.





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Challenge Time

It doesn't matter if you have a puppy or an adult dog. Either way, challenging them every day is like going to work. It keeps them mentally stimulated, physically exhausted – so they sleep longer and saves your home from those chomping jaws. Some people have quiet dogs and tell us that they sleep all day. This is not great for them.

Every dog needs a job and they need to feel like they have achieved something in their day. Stuffing and freezing KONG's is the best way to do this.

It keeps your dog occupied for hours, works the gums and the teeth. Chewing produces dopamine, which calms your dog down and then they will have a great nap and feel they have achieved something.



KONG Wobblers

This toy is fantastic for getting your dog to activate its mind to get the food out. The toy wobbles but does not fall over, so your pet must nudge and push with its nose, use its paw to push it up and down so that the food falls out. Many dogs can really move these toys around so ensure if your dog is an active pusher, use the wobbler outside or your walls might be marked with the activity that your dog does.





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To Use

To start, put some dry food in the cone shape part only and allow your dog to push this around as it eats the food out of the top part.

Add in more food and put the toy together. Stand near your dog and as they come up to investigate, quietly drop a biscuit down as their nose goes near or on the toy.

Nervous or shy dogs can take time to get used to the wobbler, so take your time if your dog is this way inclined.



Challenge Your Dog!

1. Active dogs that get straight into this toy will get food out very quickly. If this is the case, get some greaseproof paper and scrunch it up a bit, add in the dry food and put together. It makes it harder for the food to fall out and creates a lot more of a challenge.
2. Get a small measuring cup, pop the food in it and then put the cup into the KONG. This really challenges those dogs that can push out their food and again creates a harder puzzle.





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