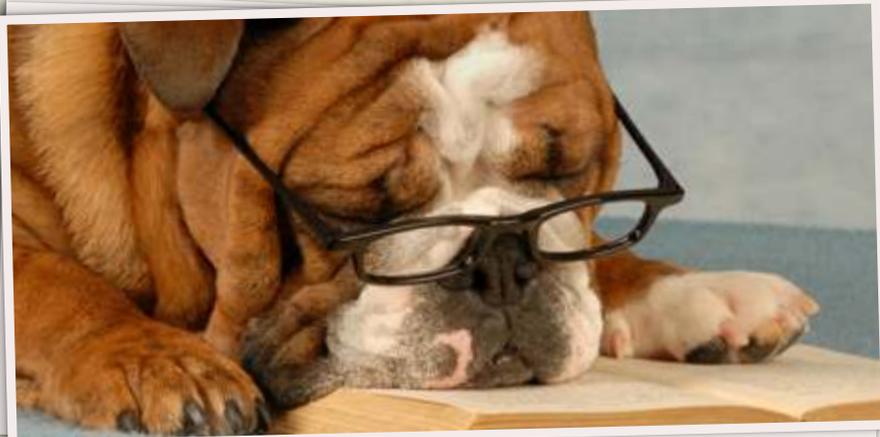


Susan Thixton's  
2012  
**The List**  
of Best Pet Foods



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Of the hundreds of pet foods I'm familiar with, these companies have shown they are the very best (in more ways than one!).

In my opinion, the very best food you can feed your pet would be home prepared 100% organic. No question about it. Just the same as it would be for any member of your family, fresh organic food is the absolute best for your pet. Anything commercial has to be prepared for retail. 'Prepared for retail' means particular rules, processing, and labeling applies. Fresh organic (or fresh locally grown) made in your kitchen – whether cooked or raw – has no rules or restrictions to abide by. And yes, of course I recommend the recipes provided in Dinner PAWsible

written by holistic veterinarian Cathy Alinovi and myself.

The close second very best food is still home prepared, just not organic. It's difficult to afford 100% organic for most (myself included). While some foods are more reasonable organic, meats especially are not. No fear, the close second very best pet food is home prepared 'regular' food.

But you aren't here to learn more about home prepared foods are you? Ok...here's The List.

If I was buying a commercial pet food, there are very few companies I would purchase from. These are those companies; these are the pet foods that I would purchase from without worry. I have included options for all types of pet foods, cooked (like home prepared), raw, kibble, and canned.

I cannot guarantee these pet foods won't be recalled tomorrow and this is no guarantee the manufacturer won't change the entire formula tomorrow.

What I based my choices on...(not in any particular order - all of these issues are significant)...

1. **Quality of ingredients.** Not just quality ingredient, such as choice meats and vegetables, but the actual grade of those quality ingredients.
2. **Transparency/Customer Service.** To me, it wouldn't matter if a pet food used the choicest selection of ingredients if they don't respond to customers or potential customers openly and the first time asked.
3. **'Things' I know from years of reporting on the pet food industry.**
4. **Integrity.** Integrity is found in many different ways. Quality, transparency, care and concern of customers.



I've provided you my Number 1 Choice, and then numerous others. My number 1 choice is just that – this IS the food I would purchase first – above all the others. However there is no official second, third, and so on. Any of the rest of my list would be my second choice.



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**Nature's Logic Pet Food**  
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While many of the pet foods in The List are smaller companies, Nature's Logic has international distribution in independent pet food stores. Nature's Logic provides their customers with lots of options; they make raw foods, kibble foods, and canned foods for dogs and cats.

Several years ago when I emailed the company some questions, I was surprised to see that Scott Freeman – managing partner – answered my email. To this day, I can email Scott a question and typically within 30 minutes he will reply. The history of communication I have had with this pet food company goes back many years and each time they have provided

me with complete answers the first time I ask. Prompt and honest answers from a pet food company is a very good sign.

One of the best things I like about Nature's Logic is no supplements. This pet food uses food to provide all the necessary nutrition. Very few pet foods can do this. Most, to meet AAFCO nutritional guidelines, add vitamin and mineral supplements (some sourced from China and or synthetic). Nature's Logic takes a simple, nutritional approach...let food provide the necessary nutrition. Great!

Nature's Logic pet foods are available in the U.S., Canada, Japan, and Hong Kong.

