

Grooming for Dogs & Cats

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Pets shed seasonally, usually as the weather starts to cool off they will shed their summer coat and as the temperatures warm back up in the spring they will go through another large shedding time when they lose their winter coat! One of the most important steps in dealing with shedding is brushing your pet regularly. Brushing your pet can also be a pleasant way to bond with your pet and brushing helps remove dead hair and stimulates circulation and new growth . Using the correct tools for the job is essential.

Slicker Brushes

These brushes have fine wire bristles and are useful for removing mats and tangles. They are the brush of choice for dogs with dense undercoats that tend to shed heavily. They also work great on cats!

Shedding Blades

These brushes work by getting underneath the outer haircoat of the dog or and pulling out the dead undercoat. The dead undercoat is what appears discolored in your pet's coat and what ends up on your clothes, the furniture, or the floor. These grooming tools work great for almost any coat type, but make sure to use them outside!

Mat Breaker

This tool helps to remove matted and tangled hair in long-haired breeds and does it without compromising hair length.

Grooming Glove

Because of a cat's delicate skin a grooming glove (a glove with fine rubberized nubs over the palm) is the preferred choice.

Dealing with pet hair once it is in your home or on your clothes can be easy with a variety of pet hair pick-up devices. They use a sticky substance like tape, or a special rubberized material to whisk away unwanted pet hair!

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