

Essential Oils & Aromatherapy (for dogs only)

René Maurice Gattefossé, a French chemist who wrote the first book on aromatherapy, coined the term and did all of his initial testing of essential oils (EO) on horses and dogs. He first discovered the healing power of essential oils when he burned his hand and dipped it into a vat of lavender. The speed at which the burns healed was astounding. Since then, there has been much scientific testing done on EOs and though most of these studies are in French and German, they reveal the anti-bacterial, anti-viral, anti-fungal and anti-inflammatory properties of the oils as well as their calming effects on the body.

There are a variety of EOs that can be mixed and matched to create appealing blends for use in treating many common canine ailments.

Dogs are plagued by all sorts of common ailments such as hot spots, itchy skin, ear infections, rashes, bites, cuts and scrapes, incisions from surgeries, stinky breath, flatulence and motion sickness. Essential oils are suitable for treating all of these.

Aromatherapy is a fascinating and truly enjoyable experience, as there are many options available to your companions. It is not only about burning EOs in a crucible (applicable for behaviour correction, calming etc) but also applying a diluted blend (or spritz) directly to the skin and problem areas.

You can add on appropriate essential oils to any of the canine massage sessions, hydrobaths or spa treatments at Petopia. Among our aromatherapy products are the highest quality organic and therapeutic grade essential oils and hydrosols. Special blends for addressing different problems are also available.

Aromatherapy is a complementary natural health modality and should never be used as a replacement for regular veterinary care. If your dog is ill, please consult your vet.



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