

DESCRIPTION

Guinea Pig Diet is formulated using the unique and innovative concept of Constant Nutrition®, paired with the selection of highest quality ingredients to assure minimal inherent biological variation in long-term studies. It is a complete life-cycle diet formulated to maintain reproduction, lactation, growth and maintenance of guinea pigs. Its specially researched formula helps minimize stillbirths, tissue calcification, and pregnancy toxemia. Guinea Pig Diet contains the proper amount of stabilized vitamin C as determined by PMI Nutrition International research. No supplemental greens are needed.

Features and Benefits

- Constant Nutrition® content for minimal nutritional variation
- Complete diet eliminates need for supplements
- Contains the proper amount of stabilized vitamin C
- Minimizes stillbirths, tissue calcification, and pregnancy toxemia

Product Forms Available

- Pellet, 4 mm diameter x 10 mm length (5/32"x3/8")
- Meal (ground pellets), special order

GUARANTEED ANALYSIS

Crude protein not less than	18.0%
Crude fat not less than	4.0%
Crude fiber not more than	16.0%
Ash not more than	9.0%

INGREDIENTS

Dehydrated alfalfa meal, dehulled soybean meal, ground corn, ground soybean hulls, wheat middlings, ground oats, porcine animal fat preserved with BHA, cane molasses, dicalcium phosphate, monocalcium phosphate, ground wheat, dried whey, calcium carbonate, salt, magnesium oxide, l-ascorbyl-2-polyphosphate, DL-methionine, vitamin A acetate, menadione dimethylpyrimidinol bisulfite, choline chloride, cholecalciferol, folic acid, pyridoxine hydrochloride, dl-alpha tocopheryl acetate, calcium pantothenate, thiamin mononitrate, nicotinic acid, vitamin B₁₂ supplement, riboflavin, cobalt carbonate, soybean oil, manganous oxide, zinc oxide, ferrous carbonate, copper sulfate, zinc sulfate, calcium iodate, sodium selenite.

FEEDING DIRECTIONS

Guinea Pig Diet should be fed free choice except when a weight control program is desired. Mature animals will consume 25-40 grams daily. Feed young growing animals free-choice only. Guinea pigs require vitamin C (ascorbic acid) in their daily diet. A lack of the vitamin results in scruvy. Stability of vitamin C varies with environmental conditions. Hot and humid conditions accelerate the loss of this nutrient from the product. For best results, store in cool, dry conditions and feed within 180 days of date of manufacture. Beyond 180 days, the product will be nutritionally adequate if in good condition, providing a supplemental source of vitamin C is given. Provide guinea pigs a continuous supply of clean, fresh water. The practice of using greens to supply water is not recommended since unconsumed materials will mold and spoil.

CHEMICAL COMPOSITION¹

Nutrients²		Sodium, %	.035
Protein, %	19.3	Chlorine, %	.069
Arginine, %	1.12	Fluorine, ppm	.20
Cystine, %	0.26	Iron, ppm	380
Glycine, %	0.86	Zinc, ppm	78
Histidine, %	0.47	Manganese, ppm	82
Isoleucine, %	1.06	Copper, ppm	14
Leucine, %	1.48	Cobalt, ppm	3.4
Lysine, %	1.05	Iodine, ppm	0.88
Methionine, %	0.40	Chromium, ppm	1.6
Phenylalanine, %	0.96	Selenium, ppm	0.36
Tyrosine, %	0.65		
Threonine, %	0.73	Vitamins	
Tryptophan, %	0.26	Carotene, ppm	13
Valine, %	1.03	Vitamin K (as menadione), ppm	5.0
Serine, %	1.06	Thiamin Hydrochloride, ppm	8.7
Aspartic Acid, %	2.40	Riboflavin, ppm	6.0
Glutamic Acid, %	3.87	Niacin, ppm	64
Alanine, %	0.99	Pantothenic Acid, ppm	21
Proline, %	1.35	Choline Chloride, ppm	1850
Taurine, %	0.00	Folic Acid, ppm	4.0
Fat (ether extract), %	4.3	Pyridoxine, ppm	4.0
Fat (acid hydrolysis), %	5.6	Biotin, ppm	0.20
Cholesterol, ppm	33	B ₁₂ , mcg/kg	13
Linoleic Acid, %	1.15	Vitamin A, IU/gm	25
Linolenic Acid, %	0.20	Vitamin D ₃ (added), IU/gm	3.1
Arachidonic Acid, %	<0.01	Vitamin E, IU/kg	55
Omega-3 Fatty Acids, %	0.22	Ascorbic Acid, mg/gm	0.5
Total Saturated Fatty Acids, %	1.36		
Total Monounsaturated		Calories provided by:	
Fatty Acids, %	1.44	Protein, %	26.527
Fiber (Crude), %	14.5	Fat (ether extract), %	13.311
Neutral Detergent Fiber ³ , %	27.9	Carbohydrates, %	60.162
Acid Detergent Fiber ⁴ , %	17.5		
Nitrogen-Free Extract		*Product Code	
(by difference), %	43.9	1. Formulation based on calculated	
Starch, %	22.3	values from the latest ingredient	
Glucose, %	0.26	analysis information. Since	
Fructose, %	0.72	nutrient composition of natural	
Sucrose, %	2.17	ingredients varies and some	
Lactose, %	0.56	nutrient loss will occur due to	
Total Digestible Nutrients, %	68.1	manufacturing processes, analysis	
Gross Energy, kcal/gm	3.52	will differ accordingly.	
Physiological Fuel Value⁵,		2. Nutrients expressed as percent of	
kcal/gm	2.92	ration except where otherwise	
Metabolizable Energy,		indicated. Moisture content is	
kcal/gm	2.50	assumed to be 10.0% for the	
		purpose of calculations.	
		3. NDF = approximately cellulose,	
		hemi-cellulose and lignin.	
		4. ADF = approximately cellulose	
		and lignin.	
		5. Physiological Fuel Value	
		(kcal/gm) = Sum of decimal	
		fractions of protein, fat and carbo-	
		hydrate (use Nitrogen Free	
		Extract) x 4,9,4 kcal/gm	
		respectively.	
Minerals			
Ash, %	7.4		
Calcium, %	1.10		
Phosphorus, %	0.60		
Phosphorus (non-phytate), %	0.37		
Potassium, %	1.57		
Magnesium, %	0.35		