## NATURE'S VARIETY ADVISOR

Nutritional training package



## Nature's Variety Advisor

## Introduction

Welcome to the Nature's Variety Advisor training course.

Our Nature's Variety range of foods incorporates high-end, optimal, natural nutrition for healthy pets. Natural products, free from artificial flavours and colours, using quality ingredients with high meat content and revolutionary technologies in pet food manufacture. We care about the animals we feed, as well as the recipes we create and focus on healthy ingredients to create superior quality and taste.

Nature's Variety is a range for owners who want to feed the best possible food to their pets. Our natural blends nourish from the inside out.

The key difference of Nature's Variety is the diversity of the range with technologies to suit all tastes and budgets.

By completing this course, you will learn about the different technologies used, our ingredients and why they have been included in our blends. We hope you will also gain some valuable information about the innovative and varied Freeze-Dried range.

Good luck and we hope you enjoy taking part.

Nature's Variety

Advisor

Nature's Variety | Veterinary Division

## Why Feed a Natural Pet Food

There are many reasons why pet owners chose to feed a natural diet or decide to change from lesser quality diets for their pets. These can include;

- Consideration of their chosen pet food's impact on the environment
- Conscious of feeding natural ingredients, free from artificial colours and flavours
- Long term conditions which could be improved by a change of diet, such as digestive issues
- Desire to feed a more species appropriate food such as high meat, low carbohydrate
- Understanding of allergies and intolerances to common pet food ingredients
- Replicating a diet similar to their own of fresh fruits, meats, fish and vegetables
- The want to feed their pet as an equal family member without the need for home cooking or designing their own recipes

Made with sustainable and renewable (green) electricity, the Nature's Variety range provides not only the benefit of fresh, natural ingredients in every recipe but also the convenience of several formats of food including dry, wet, and Freeze-Dried options. We believe it is important that pet owners make their own decision when it comes to feeding the family dog or cat and we never suggest that one chosen way is better or healthier than another. We not only care about the pets we feed but also about the ingredients we use to formulate our recipes that nourish them from the inside out.

Nature's Variety are proud to provide healthy options to offer all types of pet parent and pet, leaving the ultimate choice of how to feed down to the most important person in your pet's life: you.

Our formulas have been developed to be better suited to the lifestyles of today's pets which are all unique in their own way with various exercise intensities, sport participation, leisure activities, coat densities, metabolisms, and appetites.





## Overview of the Nature's Variety Range

Details of each range will be given throughout the course but to demonstrate the areas Nature's Variety covers within the brand, below is a brief overview of each technology and references to where you can find more information;

## **Dry: Pages 8 - 20**

## **Original & Selected Dry**

- Original Dry Adult Cat
- Selected Junior Dog
- Selected Adult Mini Dog (<10kg)
- Selected Adult Med/Max Dog (10kg+)
- Selected Adult Cat
- Selected Kitten







#### Meat Boost

Adult Dog (5kg+)





## Freeze-Dried: Pages 21 - 29

- Complete Freeze-Dried Food
- Freeze-Dried Meat Bites
- Freeze-Dried Meat Chunks
- Freeze-Dried Toppers







## Wet: Pages 30 - 35

- Bites in Gravy for Adult Cats
- Original Adult Mini Dog (<10kg)
- Original Adult Med/Max Dog (10kg+)
- Original Adult Cat











## Cat and dog nutritional requirements

Adult cats and dogs, as well as puppies and kittens, have very specific nutritional requirements and our complete and balanced foods are formulated to contain these species-specific nutrients. It is not advisable for cats and dogs to be fed foods which are not specifically formulated for them, as serious nutritional deficiencies may occur i.e., cats should not be exclusively fed dog food and dogs should not be exclusively fed cat food. The most notable nutritional difference is the cat's essential dietary requirement for the amino acid taurine which is required for healthy reproduction, heart function, eyesight, and hearing. Dogs require a lower amount of taurine in their diet, as unlike cats, they are able to synthesise it themselves from other amino acids. Taurine is rich in ingredients such as fresh meat but is very sensitive to high temperatures. Whilst Taurine will naturally occur in all the meat contents of our products, our cooked cat pouches and dry food contain an additional supplement to ensure all levels are suitable for the species required.

As a member of UK Pet Food (previously PFMA), we ensure all our complete and balanced foods, (including ambient, Freeze-Dried, and dry foods), are formulated to be within the European nutritional guidelines, known as the FEDIAF Guidelines. These guidelines have been designed through many years of scientific research and offer the very latest information on the ideal nutrient levels for companion animals during their various life stages.





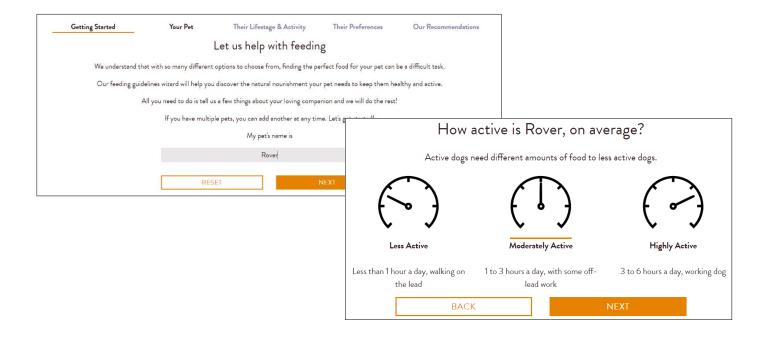


## Feeding Guides

It is important to remember when studying or comparing feeding guides from various companies, they may be very different, and this can be due to several scientific reasons such as;

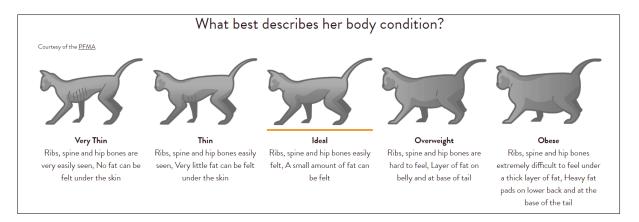
- → The type of food in question i.e., dry, wet, semi-moist or Freeze-Dried
- ightarrow The energy density of the specific food
- → Calorie content
- → Ingredient quality
- → Moisture content

At Nature's Variety, we understand the importance of accurately calculating an animal's daily ration to help prevent excessive weight gain or loss, however, we know that for busy owners, this can be time consuming, easily mis-calculated, or simply guessed to avoid any lengthy weighing and measuring. To make things simple, we have devised an easy to use feeding calculator on our Nature's Variety website which considers the age, weight, and exercise regime of the pet in question before calculating the amount required to be fed. It is important this guide is referred to by customers to ensure pets are consuming their complete nutritional requirements on a daily basis whilst maintaining a healthy weight and energy levels. It is also important to remember that the online calculator, like all feeding guides, should be used as a guide and starting point. Nature's Variety appreciates that all pets are different and the amount to feed can vary depending on many factors. Always aim to feed your pet to keep them a healthy body condition score. More information on body condition scoring can be found on the feeding calculator and below.



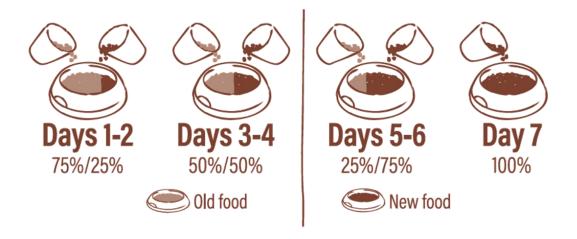


If a pet is overweight, it is important to feed to the desired weight, rather than the current weight to help achieve some loss (a note will be visible on the online calculator to indicate to customers that they may want to feed a lesser amount if they select their pet is overweight or obese). The amount of food should be decreased gradually to help prevent animals feeling over hungry. For example, if a cat weighs 6kg and should ideally weigh 4kg, we would first advise feeding for a 5.5kg cat. Once achieved, then decrease to a 5kg daily amount until achieved and then continue to decrease every few weeks until the bodyweight is deemed healthy.



## **Transitioning**

Because Nature's Variety offers a wide range of technologies to choose from, we do not provide standard transitioning advice as this will depend on the food type the customer is switching over to. As with any change, we always recommend a gradual swap to the new food over approximately 7 days. If transitioning to Complete Freeze-Dried food from dry food, ensure the meals are fed separately as breakfast and dinner for 7 days before making the switch. For dry food transition from one brand to Nature's Variety, we recommend introducing the Nature's Variety gradually to the meals whilst slowly decreasing the old brand over 7 days.



## **DRY RANGE**

Original Dry for Cats

Selected Dry for Dogs

Selected Dry for Cats

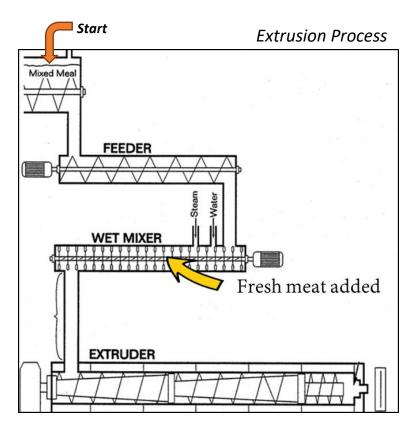
Meat Boost for Dogs



## Nature's Variety Dry Food Manufacture

## Original, Selected and Meat Boost biscuits

- Extruded product
- Steam cooked at a lower temperature to help preserve natural nutrition of ingredients: 20-30% lower compared to conventional products
- O Made by our Spanish colleagues: Affinity experts in dry food
- O High biological value, quality ingredients
- O High quantity of quality fresh meat added for nutrition and flavour
- O Dehydrated meat for texture and flavour
- O Fruits, vegetables & herbs to provide nutritional value, alternative carbohydrates, vitamins, and minerals
- O Proven health benefits listed on back of packs
- o Oils & fats for texture, taste and omegas 3 & 6





## Original Dry for cats

- ✓ Complete & balanced dry food for neutered and entire adult cats (lyr+)
- ✓ Simple contents using only one manufacturing technology (extruded biscuit)
- ✓ Premium quality deboned meat (≥ 20%) as the primary ingredient
- ✓ Perfect entry food for customers looking to upgrade their cat's dry option from basic supermarket brands
- ✓ Natural ingredients with no artificial colours, flavours or preservatives
- ✓ Excellent palatability
- ✓ Grain and No Grain options within Original cat range
- ✓ Available in Chicken for Entire Cats | Salmon for Neutered Cats | No Grain Turkey for Neutered Cats
- Chicken for Entire Cats has a slightly higher calorie content to compensate for increased metabolism in un-neutered cats (Chicken: 396kcal | Salmon: 380kcal | Turkey: 375kcal)
- ✓ All options in 1.25kg resealable bags



#### Ingredients:

#### Chicken (entire adult cats)

Deboned Chicken meat\* (21%), dried chicken protein (20%), brown rice\* (13%), dried peas\* (12%), dried turkey protein (7%), oats\* (6%), maize protein, poultry fat\* (4%), beet pulp\*, protein hydrolysate (3%), minerals, dried carrot\* (0.5% equivalent to 4% of fresh carrot), dried apple\* (0.3% equivalent to 2% fresh apple), fish oil\* (0.3%).
\*Natural ingredients

#### Salmon (neutered adult cats)

Deboned salmon\* (20%), brown rice\* (13.5%), dried salmon protein (13%), maize protein, dried peas\* (10.5%), potato protein, dried tuna protein (4%), oats\* (4%), poultry fat\* (3.5%), pea fibre\*, protein hydrolysate (3%), beet pulp\*, minerals, dried carrot\* (0.5% equivalent to 4% of fresh carrot), dried apple\* (0.3% equivalent to 2% fresh apple). \*Natural ingredients

#### Turkey No Grain (neutered adult cats)

Deboned Turkey meat\* (20%), dried chicken protein (19%), dried peas\* (10%), dried potato\* (10%), dried pork protein (6%), dried chickpeas (6%), dried turkey protein (5%), pea fibre, poultry fat\* (3%), protein hydrolysate (3%), beet pulp\*, potato starch\*, dried chicory root\*, minerals, dried carrot\* (0.5% equivalent to 4% of fresh carrot), dried apple\* (0.3% equivalent to 2% fresh apple). \*Natural ingredients









Original Adult Cat Dry

## Selected Dry

- ✓ Complete & balanced, premium dry food for cats and dogs
- ✓ Simple contents using only one manufacturing technology (extruded biscuit)
- ✓ Premium quality deboned meat (≥ 30%) as the main ingredient
- ✓ A high quality, premium diet with an affordable price tag for owners who want to feed the best dry food
- ✓ Natural ingredients with no artificial colours, flavours or preservatives
- ✓ Excellent palatability
- ✓ 74% of pet owners already feed a dry food 69% of them feel guilty for doing so. Our aim is to feed these pets the best quality nutrition in a format that owners feel comfortable using
- ✓ All recipes No Grain excellent for sensitive pets and consumer requirements



## Selected Junior Dog

- Free Range Chicken
- High end complete and balanced puppy product
- Available in 2kg and 10kg resealable bags
- Made with deboned free-range chicken (30%) and includes nutritious superfood ingredients for optimal health and wellbeing
- Currently only available in chicken as most popular and well tolerated by most pets
- Suitable for all breeds of puppy
- Feed from 2 12 months (referred to as puppy and/or junior food)
- Suitable for weaning litters
- No Grain recipe
- Recommended to stay on puppy until 12 months of age
- Suitable for pregnant and lactating bitches

#### Ingredients:

#### Free Range Chicken

Deboned Free Range Chicken meat\* (30%), dried chicken protein (27%), dried peas\* (12%), pea starch\*, poultry fat\* (6%), dried chickpeas\* (4%), dried sweet potato\* (4%), protein hydrolysate (3.5%), dried chicory root\*, fish oil\* (0.5%), dried carrot\* (0.5% equivalent to 4% of fresh carrot), dried broccoli\* (0.5% equivalent to 4% fresh broccoli), dried apple\* (0.3% equivalent to 2% fresh apple), minerals, dried kelp\* (0.01%), dried rosemary\* (0.01%). \*Natural ingredients







Selected Junior Dog Dry

## Selected Adult Mini Dog

- Available in Free Range Chicken, Norwegian Salmon
- Deboned meat as primary ingredient (30%)
- Mini dogs classed as any adult dog weighing approximately 10kg or less
- Chicken available in 1.5kg resealable bags
- Norwegian Salmon available in 1.5kg resealable bags
- Smaller biscuits for smaller mouths
- No Grain recipes

## Selected Adult Med/Max Dog

- Available in Free Range Chicken, Norwegian Salmon
- Deboned meat as primary ingredient (30%)
- Med/Max dogs classed as any adult dog weighing approximately over 10kgs
- Chicken available in 2kg and 10kg resealable bags
- Norwegian Salmon available in 2kg resalable bags
- No Grain recipes















## Selected Range for adult dogs - general information

- Norwegian Salmon contains poultry fat & protein hydrolysate (see ingredients reference table later) and tuna, therefore NOT a single protein product
- Complete and balanced for adult dogs (over 1 year)
- Selected meat proteins for optimal nutrition and palatability
- Great for fussy appetites
- No Grain recipes

#### Ingredients:

#### Free Range Chicken

Deboned Free Range Chicken meat\* (30%), dried chicken protein (22%), dried peas\* (12%), dried chickpeas\* (5.5%), pea starch\*, poultry fat\* (5%), dried sweet potato\* (4%), protein hydrolysate (3.5%), potato starch\*, pea fibre\*, dried chicory root\*, minerals, dried carrot\* (0.5% equivalent to 4% of fresh carrot), dried broccoli\* (0.5% equivalent to 4% fresh broccoli), dried apple\* (0.3% equivalent to 2% fresh apple), dried kelp\* (0.01%), dried rosemary\* (0.01%). \*Natural ingredients.

#### Norwegian Salmon

Deboned Norwegian salmon\* (30%), dried tuna protein (19.5%), dried peas\* (14%), dried sweet potato\* (7%), pea starch\*, poultry fat\* (6%), dried chickpeas\* (5.5%), potato protein, protein hydrolysate (3.5%), dried chicory root\*, dried carrot\* (0.5% equivalent to 4% of fresh carrot), dried broccoli\* (0.5% equivalent to 4% fresh broccoli), dried apple\* (0.3% equivalent to 2% fresh apple), minerals, dried kelp\* (0.01%), dried rosemary\* (0.01%). \*Natural ingredients.



Selected Mini Adult Dry



Selected Med/Max Adult Dry

## Selected for Kittens

- Delicious high meat, high quality complete dry kitten food
- Available in Free Range Chicken
- Deboned meat is primary ingredient (32%)
- Available in 300g and 1.25kg resealable bags
- Suitable for all kittens up to 1 year of age
- Suitable weaning product
- Quality meat with added fruits, vegetables, vitamins and minerals
- No Grain recipe
- Small, easy to eat biscuit size
- Energy rich for active kittens
- Enriched with fish oils to support development of the nervous system and vision
- Suitable for pregnant and lactating queens

#### Ingredients:

#### Free Range Chicken

Deboned Free Range Chicken meat\* (32%), dried chicken protein (32%), dried peas\* (9%), poultry fat\* (5.5%), pea starch\*, dried chickpeas\* (4%), dried sweet potato\* (4%), protein hydrolysate (2.5%), dried chicory root\*, fish oil\*(0.5%), dried carrot\* (0.5% equivalent to 4% of fresh carrot), dried broccoli\* (0.5% equivalent to 4% fresh broccoli), dried apple\* (0.3% equivalent to 2% fresh apple), minerals, dried kelp\* (0.01%), dried rosemary\* (0.01%). \*Natural ingredients.







Selected Kitten

## Selected for Adult Cats

- Available in Free Range Chicken, Norwegian Salmon
- Free Range Chicken available in 300g, 1.25kg and 3kg resealable bags
- Norwegian Salmon available in 1.25kg resealable bags
- High deboned meat inclusion in recipes (30%)
- High quality complete and balanced adult cat food (1 year+)
- High quality meat with added fruits, vegetables, vitamins and minerals
- No Grain and low carbohydrate
- Great for fussy felines
- Poultry fat included in all recipes

#### Ingredients:

#### Free Range Chicken

Deboned Free Range Chicken meat\* (30%), dried chicken protein (26%), dried peas\* (9%), potato starch\*, dried chickpeas\* (5%), pea fibre\*, dried sweet potato\* (4%), potato protein, protein hydrolysate (3%), poultry fat\* (2.5%), dried chicory root\*, minerals, dried carrot\* (0.5% equivalent to 4% of fresh carrot), dried broccoli\* (0.5% equivalent to 4% fresh broccoli), dried apple\* (0.3% equivalent to 2% fresh apple), dried kelp\* (0.01%), dried rosemary\* (0.01%). \*Natural ingredients.

#### Norwegian Salmon

Deboned Norwegian salmon\* (30%), dried peas\* (13%), potato protein, dried tuna protein (11%), dried chickpeas\* (4.5%), dried salmon protein (4.5%), dried sweet potato\* (4%), pea starch\*, poultry fat\* (3.5%), protein hydrolysate (3%), pea fibre\*, dried chicory root\*, minerals, dried carrot\* (0.5% equivalent to 4% of fresh carrot), dried broccoli\* (0.5% equivalent to 4% fresh broccoli), dried apple\* (0.3% equivalent to 2% fresh apple), dried kelp\* (0.01%), dried rosemary\* (0.01%). \*Natural ingredients









Selected Adult Cat



## Pack Design

Customers want to know exactly what goes into their pet's food. Our packs clearly explain our main natural ingredients with no jargon.



## Meat Boost - general information

- ✓ Complete & balanced, ultra-premium dry food for dogs
- ✓ Uses two technologies to produce 1 innovative product
- ✓ High meat bite with Freeze-Dried meat bites
- √ 90% high meat kibble with 10% Freeze-Dried meat bites
- ✓ Deboned meat as first ingredient in high meat bite (28.5% in biscuit alone)
- ✓ A high quality, premium diet
- ✓ Raw inspired great alternative to raw feeding
- ✓ Natural ingredients
- ✓ Excellent palatability
- ✓ No Grain recipes

## Manufacture of Freeze-Dried Bites

- 84% of high-quality chicken or fish with 16% pumpkin seed fibre
- Minimally processed to lock in goodness
- Made at our Snetterton factory using innovative technology and machinery
- Only UK pet food producer who have freeze-drying machines dedicated to pet food
- Pumpkin seed fibre used to provide texture



Pre-treatment - weighing, mixing/mincing/chopping ingredients then forming into shapes if required - raw materials never go above 0°C



Frozen in our tunnel belt freezer in less than 12 minutes then placed in freeze-drying machine



Freeze drying process commences by extracting frozen water molecules whilst in a gaseous state. The freeze drying process takes between 10-16 hours depending on the product



Active water levels measured for microbiological saftey. Packaged in airtight packs and ready for sale

## Meat Boost for Adult Dogs

- Suitable for all adult dogs (5kg+)
- Available in Free Range Chicken, Norwegian Salmon
- Free Range Chicken includes Freeze-Dried meat bites
- Norwegian Salmon includes Freeze-Dried fish
- Excellent palatability
- Both options available in 1.5kg and 10kg resealable bags
- Only 1 life stage option available at this time (adult 1yr+)



Meat Boost

#### Ingredients:

## Free Range Chicken

Deboned Free Range Chicken meat\* (28.5%), dried chicken protein (21%), dried peas\* (11%), dried chickpeas\* (5%), pea starch\*, poultry fat\* (5%), Freeze-Dried free range chicken\* 4% (2.5% deboned meat), dried sweet potato\* (4%), protein hydrolysate (3.5%), potato starch\*, pea fibre\*, dried chicory root\*, dried pumpkinseed\*, minerals, dried carrot\* (0.5% equivalent to 4% of fresh carrot), dried broccoli\* (0.5% equivalent to 4% fresh broccoli), dried apple\* (0.3% equivalent to 2% fresh apple), dried kelp\* (0.01%), dried rosemary\* (0.01%).
\*Natural ingredients

## Norwegian Salmon

Deboned Norwegian salmon\* (28.5%), dried tuna protein (18.5%), dried peas\* (13%), dried sweet potato\* (7%), pea starch\*, poultry fat\* (6%), dried chickpeas\* (5.5%), Freeze-Dried fish\* 4% (3.5% deboned fish), protein hydrolysate (3.5%), potato protein, dried chicory root\*, dried pumpkinseed\*, dried carrot\* (0.5% equivalent to 4% of fresh carrot), dried broccoli\* (0.5% equivalent to 4% fresh broccoli), dried apple\* (0.3% equivalent to 2% fresh apple), minerals, dried kelp\* (0.01%), dried rosemary\* (0.01%). \*Natural ingredients









# FREEZE-DRIED RANGE

Freeze-Dried Complete Food

Freeze-Dried Toppers

Freeze-Dried Meat Bites

Freeze-Dried Meat Chunks

## Freeze-Dried technology

- Innovative technology
- A technique for preserving perishable foods and enabling easier storage and transport at room temperature
- Nature's Variety is the only UK based manufacturer with freeze-drying machines dedicated to pet food
- Freeze-drying involves minimal processing to lock in flavour and nutrients (see manufacturing)
- Substantially lowered water content inhibits the action of micro-organisms and enzymes that would
  ordinarily cause product to spoil or degrade
- We test the active water content of our Freeze-Dried products to ensure the moisture level is low enough to inhibit the growth of bacteria, mould and yeast
- Freeze-Dried food should be kept in an air-tight packet until ready for use and will remain stable on the shelf for approximately 2 years
- Excellent results in palatability
- Treats, chunks, toppers and complete food available
- Always important to recommend customers wash their hands thoroughly after handling our Freeze-Dried products
- Freeze-drying has been a technology used for many years in the human food market and we use items every day that have been through this same process. Items commonly Freeze-Dried include;
  - → Instant coffee granules
  - → Fruits in cereals and snack bars
  - → Vegetables such as stock cubes
  - → Dairy used as ingredients
  - → Eggs used as 'powdered egg'
  - → Military rations to prevent spoilage but preserve flavour







## Freeze-Dried Complete Food

- Complete and balanced to comply with the European (FEDIAF) pet nutritional guidelines
- Available in Chicken | Beef | Lamb | Turkey
- All single protein products
- Can be fed straight from the single serve pack. No need to hydrate (unless owners wish to)
- 80% meat & offal complete dry product
- Made with natural ingredients
- No artificial flavours, colours or preservatives
- Allows customers to feed a 'raw' diet without added concerns of storage, defrosting etc.
- Can leave down in bowl for free/ad-lib feeding (unlike raw)
- No requirements for special storage: i.e. no requirement for refrigeration or freezing, even when opened.
   Keep in cool, dry place
- No Grain recipes
- All made from deboned meat, healthy offal content with fruits & veg
- Available in 120g resealable bags for Mini (<10kg) Adult Dogs and 250g resealable bags for Med/Max</li>
   (10kg+) Adult Dogs
- Suitable only for adult dogs
- Superior palatability



Freeze Dried Complete

#### Ingredients:

N.B. Recipes for Mini and Med/Max dogs identical, only pack size is different

#### Chicken

Chicken 80% (deboned chicken meat 50%, chicken heart 20%, chicken liver 10%), carrots (5%), apples (5%), pea fibre, butternut squash (1%), sweet potato (1%), cranberries (0.5%), blackberries (0.5%), flaxseed (0.5%), minerals, chicory root, kale (0.3%), peppermint, coconut oil, beet pulp, green tea (0.05%), yucca, rosemary (0.04%), parsley (0.02%), dandelion root, hawthorn leaf

#### Beef

Beef 80% (deboned beef meat 50%, beef lung 30%), carrots (5%), apples (5%), pea fibre, butternut squash (1%), sweet potato (1%), minerals, cranberries (0.5%), blackberries (0.5%), flaxseed (0.5%), chicory root, kale (0.3%), peppermint, coconut oil, beet pulp, green tea (0.05%), yucca, rosemary (0.04%), parsley (0.02%), dandelion root, hawthorn leaf

#### Lamb

Lamb 80% (deboned lamb meat 35%, lamb lung 35%, lamb heart 5%, lamb liver 5%), carrots (5%), apples (5%), pea fibre, butternut squash (1%), sweet potato (1%), minerals, cranberries (0.5%), blackberries (0.5%), flaxseed (0.5%), chicory root, kale (0.3%), peppermint, coconut oil, beet pulp, green tea (0.05%), yucca, rosemary (0.04%), parsley (0.02%), dandelion root, hawthorn leaf

#### Turkey

Turkey 80% (deboned turkey meat 55%, turkey heart 20%, turkey liver 5%), carrots (5%), apples (5%), pea fibre, butternut squash (1%), sweet potato (1%), minerals, cranberries (0.5%), blackberries (0.5%), flaxseed (0.5%), chicory root, kale (0.3%), peppermint, coconut oil, beet pulp, green tea (0.05%), yucca, rosemary (0.04%), parsley (0.02%), dandelion root, hawthorn leaf







## Complete Freeze-Dried back of pack

Clear description of ingredients and locked in goodness



Easy to follow feeding guide

## Freeze-Dried Toppers

- Designed to allow customers to mix feed
- Our research demonstrates 50% of dry food users mix food with wet and 11% of those users mix with
  alternative feeding (raw + Freeze-Dried + others) (Data source: U&A dogs Specialized)
- Mix feeding can help to provide enrichment, avoid boredom, and pet parents perceive it as healthier, tastier and more nutritious
- Our Toppers can be fed guilt free and offer a healthier option for mix fed pets
- Toppers are made from a fully complete & balanced recipe meaning they are naturally nutritious and will
  not affect daily nutrition when the regular food is substituted for the Topper portion
- Feeding instructions suggest feeding at 10% of the recommended daily calorie intake (feeding guides on pack demonstrating amount to feed in grams and amount of regular food to feed)
- Made with natural ingredients
- The perfect natural addition to complement your dog's daily meals
- No Grain recipes
- No artificial flavours, colours or preservatives
- May help to encourage appetite in fussy dogs
- Freeze-Dried for outstanding palatability
- Feeding guides provided on pack to assist with dry food mixing (when feeding Nature's Variety complete dry)
- 2 Single protein options Chicken | Beef
- Chicken available as 15g and 120g bag
- Beef available as 120g bag



## Ingredients:

#### Chicken

Chicken\* 80% (deboned chicken meat 40%, chicken heart 30%, chicken liver 10%), carrots\* (5%), apples\* (5%), pea fibre\* (1.25%), butternut squash\* (1%), sweet potato\* (1%), minerals (1%), cranberries\* (0.5%), blackberries\* (0.5%), flaxseed\*, chicory root\*, kale\*, peppermint\*, coconut oil\*, beet pulp\*, green tea\*, yucca\*, rosemary\*, parsley\*, dandelion root\*, hawthorn leaf\*.

\*Natural ingredients

#### Beef

Beef\* 80% (deboned beef meat 50%, beef lung 30%), carrots\* (5%), apples\* (5%), pea fibre\* (1,25%), butternut squash\* (1%), sweet potato\* (1%), minerals (1%), sunflower oil\* (0,8%), cranberries\* (0.5%), blackberries\* (0.5%), flaxseed\*, chicory root\*, kale\*, peppermint\*, coconut oil\*, beet pulp\*, green tea\*, yucca\*, rosemary\*, parsley\*, dandelion root\*, hawthorn leaf\*. \*Natural ingredients





## Freeze-Dried Meat Bites

- Minced de-boned meat & offal, made into pea-sized treats and Freeze-Dried for convenience
- Available in Chicken | Beef | Lamb | Turkey
- Complementary not a complete food, designed as a treat or simple meal addition
- 100% named ingredient packing a punch in every bite
- No artificial colours, flavours or preservatives
- Great training treat
- No Grain
- All options single protein
- 20g bags
- No need for special storage: i.e. no requirement for refrigeration or freezing, even when opened. Keep in cool, dry place









## Freeze-Dried Meat Chunks

- Square chunks of pure meat, Freeze-Dried (can be broken into smaller pieces if required)
- Available in Chicken Chunks | Beef Chunks
- Complementary not a complete food, designed to be fed as a treat or simple meal addition
- 100% named ingredient
- Minimally processed pure meat simply Freeze-Dried to lock in nutrients and superior taste
- Ready to serve
- No artificial colours, flavours or preservatives
- No Grain
- All options single protein
- 50g bags
- No need for special storage: i.e. no requirement for refrigeration or freezing, even when opened. Keep in cool, dry place





# **WET RANGE**

Bites in Gravy for adult cats

Original Pâté for adult dogs

Original Pâté for adult cats

## Bites in Gravy Pouches for Adult Cats

- Complete and balanced recipes
- High quality protein
- Suitable for all adult cats (1yr +)
- Made with natural ingredients
- No artificial colours, flavours or preservatives
- Product especially designed with palatability at forefront of format and taste
- Visually pleasing appearance for pet parents
- Available flavours: with Chicken | with Salmon
- 85g pouches
- Bites in gravy consistency chunks in sauce are the number one purchase texture in wet cat food (Data source: Affinity U&A 2020)
- Available as single flavours or multipack of 4 (2 of each flavour)

## Ingredients:

#### with Chicken

Chicken\* (16%), poultry\* (12%), pork\*(5%), corn starch, beef and pork proteins, minerals, dehydrated carrot\* (0.5% equivalent to 3.4% of fresh carrot), dehydrated peas\* (0.5% equivalent to 1.8% of fresh peas), sugars. \*Natural ingredients

#### with Salmon

Poultry\* 24%, pork\* 5%, salmon\* 4%, corn starch, beef and pork proteins, minerals, dehydrated carrot\* (0.5% equivalent to 3.4% of fresh carrot), dehydrated peas\* (0.5% equivalent to 1.8% of fresh peas), sugars. \*Natural ingredients







Bites in Gravy for Adult cats

## Original Wet Pâté Pouches

- ✓ Complete & balanced, ultra-premium wet food for cats and dogs.
- ✓ Available for adult dogs, small breed dogs and cats
- ✓ Optimal nutrition comprised of meat & offal, blended with vegetables, fruits & botanicals
- ✓ Natural ingredients cooked within the pouch to maintain freshness
- ✓ High quality, convenient and a familiar format of feeding
- ✓ Pâté consistency
- ✓ Grain free, excellent for sensitive pets
- ✓ Broth in recipes is water added before cooking to prevent drying of ingredients and to hold natural nutrients leached through heating

## Manufacture (all Nature's Variety pouches)

4.



Fresh ingredients selected including shredded chicken fillets, fresh deboned and boneless meat, vegetables, herbs and botanicals



Ingredients prepared, weighed and chopped Ingredients mixed together



Mixture piped into pouch **raw**Pouch sealed containing raw ingredients



Pouch placed in hot water bath & steam cooked



Pouches removed from steam bath and allowed to cool to room temperature

Packed and ready to ship as a shelf-stable cooked product

## Adult Small Breed and Adult Med/Max Original Wet Pâté Pouches

- Available in Beef, Chicken, Turkey
- High end, complete and balanced wet product designed for dogs
- Mini Adult Dog (<10kg) 150g pouches
- Med/Max Adult Dog (10kg+) 300g pouches
- Suitable for adult dogs only (1yr+)
- Pâté consistency
- Single protein meats but all contain salmon oil (care with allergies)
- Available in multipacks only (8 pouches = 4 x beef | 2 x chicken | 2 x turkey)
- Minimum of 66% meat & offal in each recipe
- Healthy mix of vegetables including;
  - → Pumpkin
  - → Spinach
  - → Peas
  - → Carrots
  - → Tomato



Original Dog Wet Pâté

## Ingredients:

N.B. Recipes for Mini and Med/Max dogs identical, only pouch size different

#### Beef

Beef\* (66%), beef broth (28.9%), spinach\* (2%), pumpkin\* (2%), minerals, salmon oil. \*Natural ingredients

## Chicken

Chicken\* (66%), chicken broth (28.9%), carrots\* (2%), peas\* (2%), minerals, salmon oil. \*Natural ingredients

## Turkey

Turkey\* (66%), turkey broth (28.9%), tomato\* (2%), carrots\* (2%), minerals, salmon oil. \*Natural ingredients









Original Mini Dog Wet Pâté









Original Med/Max Dog Wet Pâté

## Original Wet Pâté Cat Pouches

- Complete and balanced recipe
- Available in Chicken, Chicken with Goose, Beef and Chicken, Turkey
- 70g pouches
- Suitable for all adult cats (1yr +)
- Pâté consistency
- Minimum of 70% meat & offal in each recipe
- Available as a multipack only (12 pouches = 3 of each recipe)
- All recipes contain salmon oil
- Unusual meat combinations useful for fussy felines

## Ingredients:

## Chicken

Chicken\* (70%), chicken broth (28.9%), minerals, salmon oil. \*Natural ingredients

#### Chicken with Goose

Chicken\* (60%), chicken and goose broth (28.9%), goose\* (10%), minerals, salmon oil. \*\*Natural ingredients

## Beef and Chicken

Beef\* (40%), chicken\* (30%), beef and chicken broth (28.9%), minerals, salmon oil. \*Natural ingredients

## Turkey

Turkey\* (70%), turkey broth (28.9%), minerals, salmon oil. \*Natural ingredients













Original Cat Wet Pâté

## Ingredient Summary

When formulating a premium pet food range, we understand the importance of good quality, ingredients, locally sourced (where possible) and adding elements customers enjoy feeding to their pets such as herbs and botanicals. In the table below, you will find a comprehensive list of the ingredients used in all of our Nature's Variety recipes with the benefits they can potentially bring to our pets' lives.

Meat, Fish and Offal			
Lamb	A complete protein packed with vitamin A and B vitamins, including lots of B12, plus		
	essential nutrients such as copper, zinc, phosphorus and selenium		
Turkey	Excellent source of highly digestible, lean protein, rich in selenium and with natural omega 3		
	and 6 fatty acids. Also contains an excellent balance of essential amino acids and higher		
	levels of the calming amino acid tryptophan		
Salmon	Easy to digest with high levels of vitamin D3 and B12. Wild caught salmon, rich in essential		
	amino acids including tryptophan and omega fatty acids making it a great choice for boosting		
	heart health, kidney function and joints through the production of collagen and anti-		
	inflammatory molecules. Dried salmon protein assists with final texture and stability of		
	product		
Dried tuna	Highly palatable for most dogs, also a good source of amino acids, essential amino acids, iron,		
protein	iodine, vitamin D3, pyridoxine, vitamin B12 and niacin. Dried format helps with texture and		
	stability of final product		
Beef	Excellent protein source with all the essential nutrients to help maintain health and vitality. A		
	complete protein meaning it contains all essential amino acids required by the dog as well as		
	lipids, minerals and vitamins. It is also highly palatable		
Chicken/dried	Chicken is easily digestible and highly palatable. It is packed full of B vitamins and contains		
chicken protein	zinc, phosphorus, selenium and potassium. Dried chicken protein is simply carefully dried		
	chicken to reduce the moisture content which helps with texture and stability of the final		
	product		
Goose	Goose is an easily digested and very palatable source of high quality protein. It is a little		
	higher in fat than chicken but rich in the healthy unsaturated fatty acids as well as essential		
	amino acids and trace elements		
Heart	Heart is essentially a muscle and provides a great source of rich and palatable protein. It is a		
	rich source of taurine		
Liver	Liver contains healthy levels of vitamin B12 which is involved in the synthesis of myelin, along		
	with containing many other vitamins and minerals		
Lung	Highly palatable and a great source of natural vitamins and minerals		

Poultry	Essential and diverse protein source, made from a mix of poultry birds (chicken, turkey, duck).
	Packed with amino acids
Poultry fat	Essential source of digestible fatty acids and adds palatability to the food. Poultry fat is
	rendered from poultry raw materials, mainly chicken
Pork	a good source of vitamins and minerals like phosphorus, selenium, and thiamine. Pork is
	actually richer in thiamine (a B vitamin required for a range of bodily functions) than other
	red meats like beef and lamb
Salmon/fish oil	Great source of omega 3 and 6 promoting a healthy skin and coat. Popular ingredient
	amongst raw feeders
Freeze-Dried fish	Our fish is all sourced from MSC (Marine Stewardship Council) assured suppliers. This
	standard assures ethical and sustainable working with strict guidelines on how suppliers
	operate. This will be a mix of white fish, including pollock
Protein	Ingredient used to coat the protein bite and high meat biscuit and is made by enzymatic
hydrolysate	hydrolysis. This is a controlled reaction to break down meat proteins to a specific size that
	develops the characteristic taste (palatability) and flavour that dogs and cats love.
Beef / Pork	Added to help provide texture to chunk products
proteins	







## Fruits and Vegetables

Carrots	Good source of carbohydrate as well as containing carotenoid pigments which are the
	precursors to vitamin A
Apples	Apples with the skin on are full of antioxidants. They are also a great source of vitamins A and
	C, dietary fibre and carbohydrates
Broccoli	Excellent source of vitamins C and K
Peas/dried	Good source of carbohydrate as well as providing healthy dietary fibre to aid digestion and
peas/pea fibre/pea	passage of faeces. Pea fibre is a natural binding product and a healthier option over many
starch	other binding ingredients such as soy, peanut or rice. Dried peas help with texture and stability
	of the final product
Butternut	Great source of fibre, vitamin C, manganese, magnesium, and potassium and is an excellent
squash	source of vitamins A and E. Tasty and easily digestible, most dogs find this vegetable
	irresistible and it has a similar taste and texture to pumpkin
Tomato	Packed with nutrients and vitamins, including vitamin A, C, and K, as well as significant
	amounts of vitamin B6, folate and thiamine
Sweet potato	Sweet potato has a medium glycaemic index and is a natural, healthy source of carbohydrate.
	It is also packed with B vitamins and magnesium and contains anti-oxidant nutrients called
	carotenoids which help combat free radicals. Dried sweet potato is sometimes used to help
	with texture and stability of the final product
Potato starch/protein	Helps to form texture in final product whilst remaining natural and a gluten free ingredient
Spinach	Spinach has a low glycaemic index and a high iron content. It also contains fibre, calcium,
	potassium and several vitamins. Spinach also contains flavonoids and carotenoids that have
	anti-inflammatory and anti-cancer properties
Beet pulp	Beet pulp is used as a carrier for our premix and can help to add bulk and moisture to the
	faeces by being an insoluble fibre, contributing to a healthy colon
Cranberries	Contain high levels of vitamin C, phytonutrients and have antibacterial properties. They are
	also well known for aiding in urinary tract health by preventing bacteria from binding to the
	wall of the bladder
Blackberries	Contain vitamin C and vitamin K, as well as being a great source of soluble and insoluble fibre
Pumpkin	Healthy and natural source of fibre which most dogs find highly palatable

## Botanicals, Herbs and Nutritional Goodies

Flaxseed	A great source of natural omega 3 and 6 and can help maintain a healthy skin and coat
Kelp	Rich source of vitamins and makes a great natural supplement
Chicory root	Provides some very important health benefits as a natural source of inulin - a soluble fibre
	which serves as a prebiotic. It also contains vitamin C which is an antioxidant
Kale	High in beta carotene, vitamin K, and vitamin C, calcium, magnesium and potassium. Kale is
	low in calories
Coconut oil	Known for its benefits within human health and is thought to help improve skin conditions,
	sensitive digestion, boost the immune system and is also thought to have some anti-
	inflammatory and antifungal properties
Peppermint	Known to promote digestion and soothe the stomach in times of indigestion or inflammation
	in humans. It is also known as a powerful antioxidant that contains trace amounts of iron,
	fibre, vitamin A and potassium
Green tea	Contains a high level of antioxidants namely in the form of catechins, which are excellent free
	radical scavengers and mop up highly unstable free radicals very effectively, limiting damage
	to the cells. In humans, they are also thought to limit cancer cell growth by blocking the cancer
	cell's life cycle and inducing the death of the cell. It has also been recognised with having anti-
	inflammatory properties
Yucca	Said to naturally help the body remove toxins and facilitate digestion. It also contains
	considerable quantities of vitamin C, beta-carotene, calcium, iron, manganese, magnesium,
	niacin, phosphorous, protein and B vitamins
Rosemary	Known for its antioxidant and antimicrobial properties as well as having added benefits of
	helping to maintain heart and digestive health
Parsley	Rich in vitamins C, B12, K and A. Also known for its antioxidant properties and keeping the
	immune system strong
Dandelion root	Healthy source of many essential vitamins such as A, C, K, D and B complex. Also contains
	iron, manganese and many other trace minerals. In humans, it is thought to help with kidney
	function, digestion and can stimulate appetite
Hawthorn leaf	In humans, hawthorn can help the heart and cardiovascular system over an extended period
	of use
Chickpeas (dried)	Nutrient dense providing protein, dietary fibre, folate, and certain dietary minerals such as iron
	and phosphorus. Moderate amounts of thiamine, vitamin B6, magnesium, and zinc. Dried to
	help with texture and stability of final product

Pumpkin seed Popular ingredient with raw & natural feeders. an excellent source of protein, dietary fibre, niacin, iron, zinc, manganese, magnesium, phosphorus, riboflavin, folate, pantothenic acid, sodium and potassium

Corn starch Ingredient used as a natural thickener in gravy sauces. Ingredient proven to be less allergenic than flour for pets and preferable for pets who suffer corn allergies (Ref. Corn starch is less allergenic than corn flour in dogs and cats previously sensitized to corn. Thierry Olivry & Jennifer Bexley)

Sugars Added to cat foods as an energy source. Cats can easily convert sugar into usable energy through normal digestion

Minerals Premix carrying the microminerals essential for health, including calcium and phosphorus





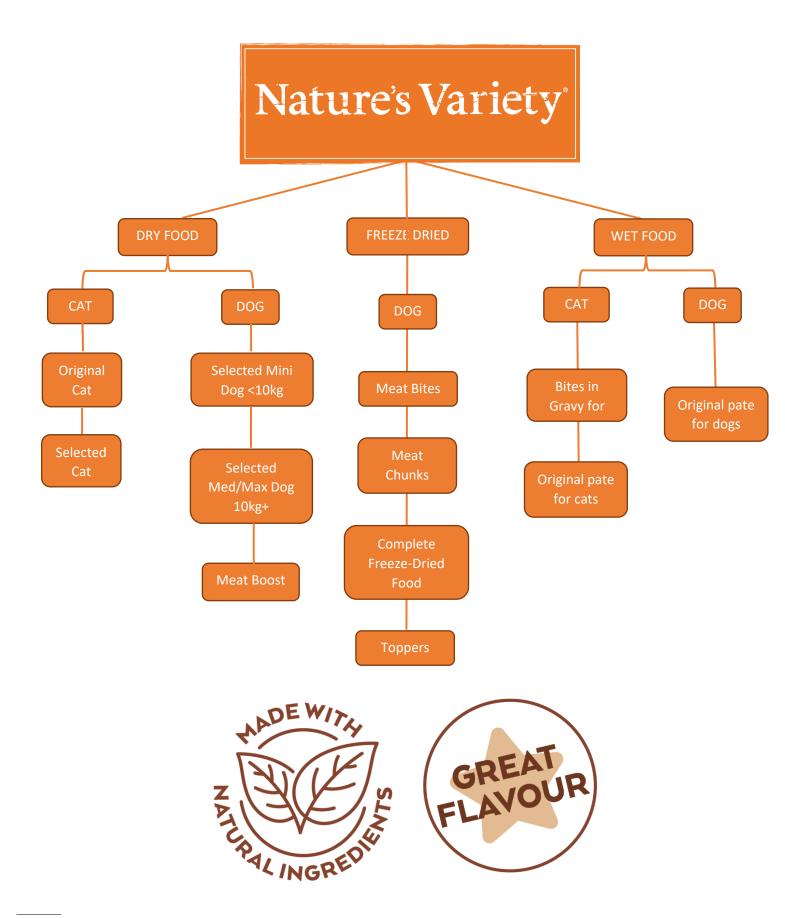


## Nature's Variety Summary

- Nature's Variety is the first range in the UK to offer an affordable, complete and balanced range of
   Freeze-Dried meals with a selection of healthy snacks and treats
- We pride ourselves on producing high quality, natural products in easy-to-feed formats
- The key difference with Nature's Variety is the extended range of dry and Freeze-Dried products
- Customers can feed their cats or dogs using various formats under one trusted Nature's Variety brand
   i.e., wet, dry, treats, toppers, and Freeze-Dried innovations
- The Nature's Variety range is designed to introduce new pet owners to the concept of healthier pet food by presenting them with a familiar and easy way of feeding
- The Nature's Variety website is a useful tool for customers wanting to know and understand more about the range



## Nature's Variety Product Map



## Congratulations

You have now completed the training manual for the Nature's Variety Advisor, and we hope you have enjoyed learning about the range. Now it's time to take the quiz to become an official 'NV Advisor'. A certificate of achievement and badge will be sent in the post within 4 weeks of successful completion.

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