# Top 5 Freeze-Dried Dog Treats Your Dog Will Love

When it comes to rewarding your furry friend, <u>freeze dried dog treats</u> are a game-changer. These treats are not only packed with nutrients but also deliver the irresistible flavours dogs love.

At Zach's Pet Shop, we've curated a list of the top 5 freeze-dried dog treats that are healthy, tasty and perfect for all breeds. Whether you're training, spoiling or simply showing love, these treats are a must-try for your dog.

Read on to discover the best options for your pet!

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# The Rise of Freeze-Dried Dog Treats in Australia

Freeze dried dog treats are becoming increasingly popular, with many Australians now preferring them over traditional options for their pets.

They are made by freezing raw ingredients (typically meat), which are then then dried out through the process of sublimation, removing 95% off water using a vacuum where pressure is lowered and heat is added.

The result is a crunchy treat that is high in nutrients and low in additives that dogs love!

Freeze dried pet treats first became commercially available in Australia in 2014. Since then, they have become the <u>fastest growing niche of pet food</u>. The rise in popularity is due to advancements in <u>freeze drying technology</u> and a growing preference amongst pet owners for more natural, premium-quality food options for their dogs.

# What Makes Freeze-Dried Treats Stand Out from Other Options?

Freeze dried treats are raw – they have not been cooked at all, just had their moisture removed. This preserves all the nutrients, allowing your dog to enjoy the full benefits of a raw diet without the hassle of handling wet raw meat.

On the other hand, dehydrated treats take raw meat and gently cook it using warm air. Although this method does remove the moisture, it also removes some of the nutrients during the cooking process, resulting in a slightly less nutrient-dense product.

For this reason, freeze dried treats are more flavoursome and rich in nutrients compared to other treats. However, this also makes them more expensive, due to the higher quality and more intricate preservation process.

## How to Choose the Best Freeze-Dried Treats for Your Dog

Don't just buy your fur baby any old treats. When selecting your dog treat, it is crucial that you do your research to ensure you select an option with quality ingredients and proper nutrition.

#### Ingredients

Look for treats that contain high quality meat or seafood and minimal ingredients. The less, the better! Avoid treats with lots of ingredients you can't pronounce the name of as they are likely full of artificial colours and preservatives.

If your dog has any food sensitivities or allergies, check to make sure these are not in the ingredients list.

#### Reputable Brands

Buying from well-known brands helps ensure the treats you purchase are made to a high standard.

This is particularly important with freeze dried treats as raw meat can contain harmful pathogens like salmonella and listeria. For this reason, we highly recommend Freeze Dry Australia as all of their treats are manufactured in Australia using high quality meat. Plus, dogs seem to go mad for the flavours!

#### Size and Flavour Preferences

It is important to buy treats that your dog will actually eat and enjoy. When browsing options, consider what flavours your dog likes and what treats it has enjoyed in the past.

Also, consider the size of the treats—small dogs need smaller, chewable options, while larger dogs may require bigger treats to avoid choking hazards.

# Top 5 Freeze-Dried Dog Treats Your Dog Will Love

Here at Zach's Pet Shop, we stock a great range of healthy freeze-dried dog treats that your pet is guaranteed to love. The top 5 flavours we sell are:

#### 1. Freeze Dried Chicken Breast

The number 1 selling treat on our website by far is <u>Chicken Breast by Freeze Dry Australia</u>. Dogs of all ages and breeds seem to absolutely adore this flavour.

Made from 100% raw chicken breast chunks, these treats are high in protein and low in calories.

#### 2. Freeze Dried Raw Sardines

Raw Sardines by Freeze Dry Australia are 100% whole sardines freeze dried to make them easier to handle. Their fishy taste is a favourite with both dogs and cats.

They are high in omega-3 fatty acids which helps boost skin health, brain health and can reduce inflammation in pets with arthritis.

#### 3. Freeze Dried Chicken Necks

<u>Chicken Necks by Freeze Dry Australia</u> are highly nutritious meaty bones that have been freeze dried to extend their shelf life.

They double as a natural dental chew that helps clean your dog's teeth as they eat. Regularly feeding your dog freeze-dried chicken necks can help prevent dental disease and save you money on professional teeth cleanings at the vet in the long run.

# 4. Freeze Dried Raw Salmon Belly

If your dog likes fish, we highly recommend <u>Raw Salmon Belly by Freeze Dry Australia</u>. They are high in protein and omega-3 fatty acids, making them nutritious and tasty options for dogs.

Like most Freeze Dry Australia treats, they only contain one ingredient which makes them a great option for dogs with food sensitivities or allergies.

#### Freeze Dried Chicken Liver

Dogs absolutely love <u>Chicken Liver by Freeze Dry Australia!</u> Chicken livers are very high in essential amino acids and the freeze-drying process makes them much easier for you to handle.

Make sure to always feed your dog liver treats in moderation as a large amount can lead to diarrhea.

# Tips for Introducing Freeze-Dried Treats to Your Dog

When introducing a new treat to your dog, the first step is to thoroughly read the packaging. Check they are not past their expiry date, that all ingredients are suitable for your dog, and any advice from the manufacturer (such as serving sizes based on your dog's weight).

Introduce the treat gradually, to avoid an upset stomach or an allergic reaction. Start by breaking off a small piece and offering it to your dog, then wait 48 hours. If there is no negative reaction, try another piece a little larger.

Once you are confident that your dog won't have a negative reaction, you can incorporate the treats during training sessions or to spoil your furry friend occasionally.

# Where to Buy High-Quality Freeze-Dried Dog Treats

You can buy high quality freeze dried dog treats from many pet stores

At Zach's Pet Shop, we stock a wide range of <u>Freeze Dry Australia's dog treats</u> including their most popular flavours – Chicken Breast, Green Lip Mussels and Chicken Necks.

When shopping for treats online, always shop with a reputable store that has recent reviews. If you feel unsure about an online store, call their customer service number to ask any questions you have.

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Freeze-dried dog treats are a fantastic way to reward your dog with healthy, nutrient-rich snacks. Unlike traditional treats, they retain the full benefits of raw ingredients, offering more flavour and nutrition.

When choosing freeze-dried treats, consider factors like quality ingredients, reputable brands, and size to ensure your dog's safety and satisfaction. Introducing these treats gradually will help avoid any sensitivities.

At Zach's Pet Shop, we offer a <u>wide range of premium freeze-dried treats</u> your dog will love. Shop now and treat your pup!