



DOG POOP COLOR CHART

Brown with white specks

A normal bowel movement with white specks is most often an internal parasite issue.

Have your vet diagnose and treat accordingly.



Brown and mucousy

A little mucous is usually no big deal, but repeated slimy feces could mean inflammation of the digestive tract from an infection, parasites or stress.

Have your pup checked out if you see more than one extra mucousy dog poop.



Black

Black dog poop can mean your dog eats a lot of dirt, or it can mean blood (Bleeding from an injury, inflammation, or a tumor into the mouth, throat, stomach or upper intestine).

Always have your vet check out black dog poop to determine if the color is due to blood.



Orange

Orange dog poop nearly always relates to the liver, gall bladder, or bile ducts. It can also be due to digestive issues.

Orange dog poop can be very serious, so have your vet check it out asap.



Red

Bright red nearly always means blood coming from the colon, rectum or anus (due to injuries, infections, inflammation, or tumors).

Fresh, red blood is scary, so have your vet check it out as soon as possible.



Yellow

Yellow poop is often an issue with digestion. Inflammation, allergies, infections, or eating something they shouldn't have could all be to blame.

Repeat yellowish poop, especially with other signs of illness, should be checked out by your vet. If your dog is healthy, try fasting for 12 hours and feeding a bland diet.



Green

Some dogs like to literally graze on grass, causing green dog poop. Green dog poop can also be a result of parasites or rat poison.

If your dog is showing other signs of illness, see a vet asap. If your dog appears healthy, try feeding a bland diet: see your vet if the green poop issue hasn't cleared after 24-48 hours.



White/Grey

Dog poop turns white in the sun, but also from certain medications or something your dog ate. Gray, greasy poop is often due to high amounts of fat that is not properly broken down.

If your dog hasn't started new medications or if their poop is very greasy, see your vet to find out why. Most repeat cases of white dog poop need veterinary intervention.



Tip from the Vet

When making a veterinary visit, it's helpful to bring a fecal sample for the vet to see and possibly test. You will also want to note your dog's appetite and water consumption and any other signs of illness.

