



## “No Tricks, but Treats for Your Dogs!”

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Who Makes the Best Dog Biscuits in the whole wide world? YOU DO!! They are easy and dogs love them. Here is a little recipe that you can try....it is called “Crunch and Munch”.

Ingredients are as follows: 1 package dry yeast, ¼ cup warm water, 1 pint vegetable or chicken stock, 3 ½ cups unbleached flour, 2 cups whole-wheat flour, 1 cup rye flour, 2 cups cracked wheat or wheat germ, ½ cup dry milk, 1 teaspoon salt (optional), 1 egg, 1 tablespoon milk.

### Directions

1. Make sure there's an adult for supervision and read the entire recipe before you begin baking.
2. Preheat oven to 300 degrees.
3. Dissolve your yeast in ¼ cups of warm water. Add to the vegetable or chicken stock. Then, combine all your dry ingredients into a separate bowl; add the stock mixture.
4. Knead mixture on a floured surface for about 3 minutes, working into a stiff dough. Roll out to a thickness of ¼ inch. You can roll them out into bars or use a dog-bone cookie cutter.
5. Beat 1 egg with 1 tablespoon milk. Brush each biscuit with a little of the egg/milk mixture and place on a cookie sheet. Bake for about 45 minutes.
6. Turn off the heat, but leave biscuits in the oven overnight. This makes them hard and crunchy.
7. Give the biscuit to your dog and watch him munch away!

Recipe Makes 4-5 Dozen dog biscuits.

To a dog, the sense of taste is closely linked with that of smell. For example, you may see a dog dribbling saliva as he waits for his treat. It is because he can see and smell something appetizing to eat. Dogs have far fewer taste buds than do humans and can only register tastes as pleasant, indifferent or unpleasant.

Treats can be used in getting your dogs attention during a training exercise, can be used to disguise a medication if your dog detests treatment for an illness, or they can even be used in a game of hide and seek to help boost a underweight dog's appetite. Just remember however, if your dog is already a healthy weight, try not to over feed your dog with too many treats. You can find a variety of dog treats that come in anything from liver to milk bone. Even a dog enjoys being spoiled one in awhile!

At Beltrami Humane Society, our dogs enjoy biodegradable treats such as milk bone dog biscuits. After their dog yard breaks, they hurry back to their kennels in anticipation of their treats. You can look throughout the dog room, and notice them licking their lips as they wait for the attendant to give them a special treat as a way of saying "thank you for going to your kennel". It's a great way to encourage their cooperation in kennel training.

October has been a busy month as "Adopt a Shelter Dog Month". Though many dogs have gone to their new forever homes, we still have dogs waiting for that special chance to go home. Featured this week is "Yukon" a "special needs" dog who was born with slight hip dysplasia. Currently he is 8-9 months old and he has the coloring of a teddy bear with a very thick coat of fur. His personality is sweet, and though he does wear out with long walks on the trails, he loves to be "out and about" on short jaunts here and there. He has soft brown eyes and loves attention. He is neutered and wants to be part of a very special family. "Lexis" is a male "black lab/shepherd cross" who is highly energetic and wants to do nothing better than to be out on the trails. He is approximately 1 year old. He did come to us from Animal Control and does not particularly like other dogs, but would like to be at a home with a lot of space to run & play. He needs a lot of attention.

Visit our animals at 1612 Carr Lake Rd SE, Bemidji, MN each Tuesday through Saturday, 12-5 p.m. Our phone number is (218)

751-7910. If you are unable to stop by the shelter, check out our website photo gallery at [www.beltramihumane.com](http://www.beltramihumane.com) or see our animals on [www.petfinder.com](http://www.petfinder.com). We have a great selection of animals.

**Upcoming Events:** “Basket of Thanks”. For \$10.00, you can sponsor a shelter animal providing it with a very special Thanksgiving Treat, and a brand new toy over the holidays, as it waits for its forever home. An acknowledgement of your gift will be placed up at the shelter, and you will receive a picture of your sponsored pet. We have 45 cat kennels and 28 dog kennels. Our animals “thank you” in advance for caring about them!

Enjoy pictures of our animals at your local Walmart Store as we are participants of the “Very Best Pet Network”. Listen to KKBJ FM 103 (early show) to hear about our “Pets of the Week”, or see our “Pets of the Month” posted at Pamida. Do you have spare change lying around?? Drop it in any doggy bank located at businesses throughout Bemidji at the cashier counters. We appreciate all donations!

Shelter Wishes: Cat Chow, Kitten Chow, Laundry Supplies, Office Xerox Paper Supplies, Vaccination & Medication \$\$ for incoming animals, Paper Towels, Clorox Bleach, Lysol Spray.