TCfeline SPECIAL FORMULA

Premix for making homemade cat food.

560 gram premix per pouch. Each 20 gram premix prepares a batch of cat food yielding 8-13 daily portions, depending on recipe used.

Ingredients: New Zealand grass-fed Whey Protein Isolate, Calcium Carbonate, Taurine, Canadian freeze- dried Krill, Vitamin B complex with Methylcobalamin (B12), Vitamin E succinate, Vitamin A Palmitate, Vitamin D3.

TCfeline Special Formula is a homemade cat food premix formulated to prepare a diet reduced in phosphorus. With the addition of unsalted butter and canned pumpkin or other steamed squash or yam it prepares a diet reduced in phosphorus and protein to aid cats suffering from kidney disease. This diet can also be useful in helping to remedy constipation in adult cats. It is suitable to feed to and is well liked by healthy adult cats, but should not be fed to kittens or cats under 18 months old.

Please use a measuring tablespoon or digital letter scale to accurately measure the premix when following the recipes.

Recipe A: low phosphorus diet

- 20g (3 <u>level</u> tablespoons*) TCfeline Special Formula
- 250 ml (1 cup) distilled water
- 900g ground meat without bone and organs. Cooked meat can also be used.

*Important: when using a tablespoon to measure, please use a measuring tablespoon designed for measuring.

Yields 8 portions of approximately 130g each.

Recipe A is suitable for cats during acute kidney infection as a dietary compliment to other treatments or therapies, or as permanent dietary change for cats when insufficiently functioning kidneys as a chronic condition is suspected. This diet is reduced in phosphorus due to the absence of bone meal and gelatin. In addition the

Calcium Carbonate in this formula acts as a "Phosphorus Blocker".

This diet can be helpful in resolving mild constipation, because it does not contain bone, which tends to cause the formation of dry stool.

This diet is <u>not</u> recommended for cats and kittens under 18 months old. Kittens benefit from eating bone (like the freeze-dried bone extract in my other TCfeline varieties) and require more Magnesium than this diet can provide. I also recommend feeding kittens a diet containing fresh liver.

Recipe B: low phosphorus and low protein diet

- 20g (3 <u>level</u> tablespoons*) TCfeline Special Formula
- 250 ml (1 cup) distilled water
- 900g ground meat without bone and organs. Cooked meat can also be used.
- 398ml can of pure pumpkin or 400g (2 cups) cooked and pureed squash or yam.
- 220g (1 cup) UNSALTED butter

*Important: when using a tablespoon to measure, please use a measuring tablespoon designed for measuring.

Yields 13 portions of approximately 130g each.

Recipe B is suitable for cats with chronic kidney disease of any stage. Additional treatments or remedies may be prescribed by your Veterinarian. This diet is reduced in phosphorus due to the absence of bone meal and gelatin. In addition the Calcium Carbonate in this formula acts as a "Phosphorus Blocker". Overall protein in this recipe is reduced by bulking the diet with non-meat ingredients (canned pumpkin or other steamed squash or yam and unsalted butter). This effectively stretches the meat over more portions, while replacing the volume with non-meat foods that provide calories from fat and carbohydrates. Feed small, frequent meals.

This diet can be helpful in resolving constipation, because it does not contain bone, which tends to cause the formation of dry stool,

and contains pumpkin (or other steamed squash or yam) which is useful in bulking stool. This diet is <u>not</u> recommended for cats or kittens under 18 months old. Kittens benefit from eating bone (like the freeze-dried bone extract in my other TCfeline varieties), a high protein diet, and require more Magnesium than this diet can provide. I also recommend feeding kittens a diet containing fresh liver.

Preparation Instructions:

Recipe A:

- 1. Place accurately measured amount of premix into a bowl.
- 2. Add distilled water and whisk briskly.
- 3. Thoroughly, but gently, stir in the meat.

Recipe B:

- 1. Follow the steps of Recipe A. Set aside.
- 2. In a small sauce pan, warm the canned pumpkin or other steamed and pureed squash or yam enough to melt the butter in it. Stir constantly until mixture is creamy.
- 3. Allow to cool to body temperature before combining the pumpkin-butter mixture with the premix-meat mixture.

When cooking fresh squash or yam instead of using canned pumpkin, the butter can be added to the hot vegetables during pureeing.

Divide into daily portions for freezing.

Feed approximately 130g (1/2 cup) of finished cat food of either kind per day to the average adult cat. Divide into at least 2 servings. Cats with kidney disease and cats with kidney failure greatly benefit from eating small meals frequently throughout the day. Thaw the food before feeding and warm to increase palatability. Refrigerate uneaten portions promptly. Discard thawed leftovers after 24 hours.

Store the pouch of premix in a dry, cool place. Hand-made in Canada from domestic and imported ingredients by **Three Gables Farm** Salt Spring Island, BC V8K 2B3

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