# Recipes for Senior Dogs, By Pet-up.com

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## Brown Rice, Turkey, and Veggies

## Ingredients:

- 1 lb ground turkey
- 2 cups brown rice
- 1 tsp dried rosemary
- ½ package frozen broccoli, carrots and cauliflower (or chop two cups of fresh vegetables and cook them for about four minutes until they're just starting to get tender but still firm)
- 6 cups of water

#### Directions:

- 1. In a large pot, add the water, rice, ground turkey and rosemary.
- 2. Stir to break up the turkey and ensure the ingredients are well mixed.
- 3. Bring the pot to a boil and then reduce heat to low and simmer for 20 minutes.
- 4. Add frozen or fresh vegetables. Continue to cook for five minutes.
- 5. Remove the pot from the heat and let the mixture cool before serving.

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## Chicken Casserole

Ingredients:

- 4 pieces boneless chicken with skin
- ½ cup carrots, peeled and sliced
- 1 cup cabbage
- 1 cup broccoli

- ½ cup green beans
- ½ cup spinach
- 1½ cups brown rice
- 2 tbsp olive oil

## Directions:

- 1. Rinse your vegetables and steam them until they're almost soft enough to mash. When they're done, set them aside.
- 2. While your veggies are cooking, put your chicken in a pot and add water to cover it. You want the water to be about an inch above the chicken.
- 3. Bring the pot to a slow boil and boil the chicken until the meat is cooked and the water turns into an aromatic broth, about 20 to 30 minutes.
- 4. When the chicken is cooked, remove it from the pot but reserve the broth.
- 5. Cook the brown rice in three cups of chicken broth.
- 6. Remove the chicken skin and chop the chicken and steamed vegetables into small, bite-sized pieces.
- 7. When the rice is finished, combine it with the veggies, chicken and olive oil in a large bowl and mix. You can also add some chicken broth.
- 8. Let the casserole cool completely before serving to your dog. Leftovers can be stored in the fridge in a sealed container for up to three days.

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## **Beef Stew**

## Ingredients:

- 1 lb beef stew meat
- 1 small sweet potato
- ½ cup diced carrots
- ½ cup diced green beans
- ½ cup flour
- ½ cup of water
- 1 tbsp vegetable oil

## Directions:

- 1. Microwave the sweet potato for five to eight minutes until tender but still firm.
- 2. Cut up the beef stew meat into nickel-sized chunks.
- 3. Heat the vegetable oil over medium heat in a large pan. Add the stew chunks and cook for about 10 to 15 minutes or until well done.
- 4. Take the beef out of the pan but reserve the drippings.
- 5. Dice the cooked sweet potato.
- 6. Turn the heat to medium-low and heat the drippings. While whisking, slowly add the flour and water to the drippings to make a thick gravy.
- 7. Add the sweet potato, meat, green beans, and carrots to the gravy and mix to coat.
- 8. Cook about 10 minutes or until the carrots are tender.
- 9. Let the stew cool completely before serving to your senior dog.
- 10. The leftovers will keep in the refrigerator for up to five days.

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## Peanut Butter and Banana Dog Biscuits

This recipe makes an excellent treat.

## Ingredients:

- legg
- 1/3 cup creamy peanut butter
- ½ cup mashed banana
- 1 tablespoon honey
- 1 cup wheat flour
- ½ cup wheat germ (can also try oats instead if your dog isn't a fan of wheat germ)

## Directions:

- 1. Preheat your oven to 300 degrees Fahrenheit (150 degrees Celsius). Lightly grease a cookie sheet.
- 2. In a medium bowl, stir the peanut butter, egg, banana and honey until well blended. Add the wheat germ and flour and mix thoroughly. Put the dough on a floured board and use a floured rolling pin to roll it out until it's about ¼-inch thick. Use a cookie cutter to cut into your desired shapes. Place the biscuits on the baking sheet and gently brush the tops with the beaten egg white.
- Bake the biscuits in the oven until they're golden brown and dried, about 30 minutes. Take them out and cool them on a wire rack.

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# Recipe for Senior Cats, By <u>Pet-up.com</u>

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## Mackerel and Brown Rice

## Ingredients:

- 1 cup canned mackerel
- 1 tbsp sunflower seed oil
- 1 tbsp organic cooked brown rice
- 1-2 tbsp water or broth (chicken or beef)

## Directions:

- 1. Combine all ingredients in a food processor.
- 2. Puree until blended.
- 3. It is best if served immediately but leftovers can be refrigerated up to three days.

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## Trout

## Ingredients:

- 1 cup trout, fully cooked
- 1 raw egg
- 1 tbsp fine chopped broccoli, steamed
- 2 tbsp sunflower oil

## Directions:

- Boil raw egg (for this recipe we shall use only the cooked egg yolk)
- Combine all ingredients in a food processor.
- Puree until blended and serve.
- Leftovers can be stored in the refrigerator for up to three days.

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# Chicken And Salmon-Based Recipe (RAW\*)

## Ingredients:

- ½ pound chicken liver raw
- ½ pounds beef kidney raw
- cups water more as needed to puree
- whole raw egg including shell
- 0.2 pound (about 90 grams) chicken heart raw
- 1 pound bone-in skin-on chicken wings raw, cats need to be eating some bone in their diet for phosphorous and calcium
- ½ pound raw salmon bones kept in, cats need to be eating some bone.
- teaspoon taurine supplement powdered form. Taurine is essential for cats, and lack of it can lead to cardiac death

## Directions:

- Pulse to grind all ingredients in a high-powered blender or meat grinder. Leave raw!
- Divide into how much the cat will consume in 2-3 days and refrigerate. Freeze the rest, in small portions for easy serving.

\*Please be sure to consult a veterinarian before feeding raw foods to pets.

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## Salmon Treats

## Ingredients:

- 1 cup canned salmon
- 2 raw eggs
- 3 cups of flour

## Directions:

- Pulse the canned salmon in a food processor and chop finely.
- Combine salmon, egg, & flour in stand up mixer until it forms a dough.
- Roll out dough to 1/4 inch thickness on a floured surface.
- Use a cookie cutter (I recommend a 3/4 inch cutter) to cut into pieces.
- Put the treats on a baking sheet & bake at 350°F for 20 minutes.

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