

Recommended for ages 12+

Is your dog bored? Destructively licking their paws? Chewing everything and anything? We have just the thing to keep them busy and get their brains going! Create this treat-dispensing dog toy for just \$10. With a little help from your parents, you can create this in 10 minutes. Forget the expensive toys at the pet store. These will keep them entertained for hours!

Materials Needed

- PVC pipe (any size 1-2 inches, not the black pipe!)
- A pair of adapter/screw caps (make sure they match female/male or male/female)
- Slip cap
- Safety glasses, hearing protection, gloves
- Saw to cut PVC (hand saw, miter saw, etc.)
- Power drill
- Drill bit (whatever size you want the food dispensing holes to be)
- Clear PVC glue
- Small piece of sandpaper

Note: Use the smaller diameter pipes for smaller toys and bigger diameter pipes for bigger toys.

Instructions

- 1. Cut the PVC pipe to your desired length.
 - a. 4 inches for small
 - b. 6 inches for medium
 - c. 8 inches for large
- 2. Use the PVC glue to attach the slip cap to one end of the pipe.
- 3. Use the PVC glue to attach the male adapter to the other end.
- 4. Screw the cap onto the male adapter.
- 5. Drill holes into the PVC pipe where desired.
- 6. Sand the PVC along the cut edges and sand the edges of the holes.
- 7. Wash and rinse the PVC.
- 8. Insert treats and watch your pup enjoy their new toy!

Note: Keep an eye on the toy before and after your dog plays to make sure there are no breaks.



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