

# HOW TO CHECK FOR FLEAS ON DOGS AND CATS

It is common for dogs and cats to get fleas at some time in their lives, even if they spend most of their time indoors. Somehow, fleas find an entry point into your home. This can be a big issue for you and your pet and catching fleas early before they multiply is critical: stop the problem before it gets bigger! Make checking for fleas a consistent part of taking care of your pets.

## BE A “FLEA FINDER”

The challenge is finding adult fleas on a dark-haired pet, as they may blend in, but they are easier to spot on short and light-colored fur. Your pet may have fleas, but you may not always see them – they may have been groomed out by your furry friends already. A good rule of thumb is to closely look at the hair by the tail base by using a flea comb or your hands. See if anything “jumps” out, as most fleas will leap around when disturbed. The average size of a flea is about a pinhead.

## FLEAS LEAVE A MARK

Dark, pepper-like particles can be seen on the surface of your pet’s skin and coat (flea droppings), even if you don’t see the actual fleas. A way to check is to touch the particle with a wet paper towel or cotton ball. A dark reddish-brown or orange swirl means flea droppings, and also means your pet has fleas.

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