



## My Dog Care Budget

A companion to the book Nose to Tail by Louise Harding

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ITEM	\$ WEEK	\$ MONTH	\$ YEAR	Once Off	Totals
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Food/Treats					
Equipment					
Training					
Social Classes					
Registration					
Worming					
Tick/Flea Treat- ments					
Vaccinations					
Desexing					
Grooming					
Dog Walking					
Dog Minding/ Boarding					
Dog Daycare					
Medications					
Pet Insurance					
SUB TOTALS					
Week x 52					
Month x 12					
Year					
Expenses (Annual) SUB TOTAL					
Budgeted One offs					
Unexpected One Offs					
YEAR TOTAL					

## My Dog Care Budget Continued

Talking about the true financial commitment of dog ownership is enough to make some people put their hands over their ears and shout 'la la la'. They don't want to think about it and they certainly don't want to hear about it. But like taxes and dealing with government departments, it's a part of life that's unavoidable. Raising happy, healthy, educated children involves a whole lot of ongoing costs. So too does raising a happy, healthy, educated dog.

Knowing your ongoing regular expenses and planning for unexpected events will help you avoid hip pocket shock. You may also wish to consider pet insurance which can be extremely beneficial if your dog suffers a traumatic injury that requires surgery or has other unforeseen health issues. My advice here is, do your homework. Insurance policies can vary greatly in cost and also in what they cover. They are worth serious consideration if you own a giant breed or a dog whose breed has known genetic disorders.

Read Juju's story and see her owner's sample Dog Care Budget in: Nose to Tail: A Holistic Guide to Training Your Dream Dog

