

The following list was compiled as a guide for those who would like to choose a dog food recommended by other greyhound owners. We have included the top 5 brands chosen from a poll of about 1,000 greyhound owners on Greytalk.com, and added a couple of our own recommendations which have worked well for members and friends here in Salt Lake. There are numerous high-quality foods not included on this list which also work well for many greyhounds. Whichever food you choose, just remember the golden rule: You Get What You Pay For! Lower quality foods will mean much more yard cleanup, a duller coat, a gassy greyhound, and possible future health and dental problems.

When choosing a dog food, take a look at the ingredients and nutritional values chart. Remember that meat should be at least the first ingredient listed. Byproduct, corn, and wheat are lower quality filler ingredients and not desirable. Whole grain rice, brown rice, oats or oatmeal, and barley are preferable. Pet greyhounds do not need the high protein foods available for active breeds. Look for a protein content of around 24-26% and a fat content of 12-14% or so. For some great detailed information about understanding dog food labels and the ingredients listed, follow this link:

<http://www.doberdogs.com/foodcht1.html>

GPA Salt Lake's list of recommended foods for your dog:

- **Nutro Natural Choice or Nutro Ultra**: Available at most pet supply stores such as PETsMART and Petco. <http://www.nutroproducts.com/>
- **Canidae**: Available at The Dog's Meow and a few other local pet supply stores. Check the Store Locator on the website. <http://www.canidae.com/index.html>
- **Purina Pro Plan**: Available at most pet supply stores such as PETsMART and Petco. <http://www.proplan.com/index.aspx>
- **Iams**: Available at most pet supply stores such as PETsMART and Petco. May be available at some grocery stores also. http://www.iams.com/splash/iams_splash_page.jhtml
- **Dick Van Patten's Natural Balance**: Available at Petco. <http://www.naturalbalanceinc.com/>
- **Chicken Soup for the Dog Lover's Soul**: Available at several local pet supply stores such as Steve Regan Company. Check the Store Locator on the website. <http://www.chickensoupforthevetloverssoul.com/>
- **Kirkland Premium Dog Food**: Available only at Costco. We couldn't find a website for this food, but it is manufactured by Diamond Pet Food Company. One notable benefit, besides the good quality of the food, is that it costs less than \$20.00 for a 40 lb. bag.
- **B.A.R.F. (Bones and Raw Food) diet**: Many dog owners prefer feeding a raw diet. If done correctly, a raw diet can be very healthy and beneficial for your greyhound. If you would like to learn more about feeding the B.A.R.F. diet, here is a good website to start with: <http://www.barfworld.com/>