

Mazuri® Ferret Diet

Formula Code - 5M08

Description

Mazuri® Ferret Diet is an extruded product formulated for complete life-cycle feeding, using ingredients appropriate for carnivores.

Features and Benefits

- **Multiple animal derived proteins appropriate for carnivores.**
- **Highly palatable, extruded diet** - Easy to digest.
- **High density** - Low stool volume.
- **Moderate starch level** - Less than 15% starch, more appropriate for obligate carnivores.
- **Contains fish oil** - Omega-3 fatty acid source.
- **Natural antioxidants** - Mixed tocopherols and rosemary extract.
- **Contains probiotics** - To support GI tract health.
- **Contains urine acidifiers.**
- **Dried yucca shidigera extract** - Shown to reduce aerosol ammonia in animal facilities.*

Product Form

Round extruded particle: 3/8 to 7/16" length x 5/32" diameter.

- 5 lb. net weight polybag
- 25 lb. net weight paper sack

Catalog

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Guaranteed Analysis

Crude protein not less than	38.0%	Vitamin E not less than.....	225 IU/kg
Crude fat not less than	20.5%	Omega-3 Fatty Acids not less than	0.50%
Crude fiber not more than	4.0%	Taurine not less than.....	0.25%
Moisture not more than	12.0%		
Ash not more than	7.5%		

Ingredients

Poultry by-product meal, ground brown rice, dehulled soybean meal, porcine animal fat preserved with BHA, spray dried animal blood cells, poultry fat preserved with BHA, glutamic acid, dried beet pulp, soy protein concentrate, soybean oil, dried brewer's yeast, phosphoric acid, calcium carbonate, dicalcium phosphate, fish meal, fish oil, salt, calcium propionate (a preservative), taurine, dl-methionine, choline chloride, pyridoxine hydrochloride, Lactobacillus acidophilus fermentation product dehydrated, preserved with mixed tocopherols (form of vitamin E), Lactobacillus casei fermentation product dehydrated, rosemary extract, thiamine mononitrate, Bifidobacterium thermophilum fermentation product dehydrated, vitamin A supplement, vitamin D₃ supplement, Enterococcus faecium fermentation product dehydrated, dried yucca shidigera extract, d-alpha tocopheryl acetate (form of vitamin E), biotin, citric acid, menadione sodium bisulfite complex (source of vitamin K), folic acid, zinc oxide, vitamin B₁₂ supplement, calcium pantothenate, riboflavin, nicotinic acid, ferrous sulfate, calcium iodate, basic copper chloride, l-lysine, manganous oxide, ferrous carbonate, copper sulfate, zinc sulfate, sodium selenite, cobalt carbonate.

Feeding Directions

- Feed management is dependent upon the feeding purpose or developmental stage.
 - **Young Growing Animals** - Feed young animals free-choice. Allow animals to clean feeders every two to three days to ensure the presence of fresh feed. Growing ferrets will eat approximately 7% of body weight.
 - **Adult Animals (non-breeding)** - Maintain adult animals in good body condition. Adults will generally consume 3-4% of body weight per day.
 - **Breeder Animals** - Breeder animals (male and female) should be maintained in good/lean condition. During the pre-breeding period, care must be taken to ensure the animals are not depositing excessive amounts of fat. Some feed restriction may be necessary. Adults will eat approximately 5.5 to 6% of body weight (1.5 to 2.5 ounces/day depending on size/weight).
 - **Gestation/Lactation** - During the last third of the gestation period females will increase feed consumption. Care is necessary to prevent animals from becoming fat. Some feed restriction may be necessary. At whelping time, caked udders may occur. This condition can be reduced by limiting females feedings. After the litter is one week old, feed can be offered free-choice.
- Keep fresh, clean water available at all times.

*Relevant research information:

Headon, D.R. and K.A. Dawson, 1990. Yucca extract controls atmospheric ammonia levels. Feedstuffs. 62:15-16.

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Approximate Nutrient Composition¹

NUTRIENTS

Protein, %.....	38
Arginine, %.....	2.4
Cystine, %.....	0.52
Histidine, %.....	1.1
Isoleucine, %.....	1.3
Leucine, %.....	3.1
Lysine, %.....	2.4
Methionine, %.....	0.80
Phenylalanine, %.....	1.6
Tyrosine, %.....	1.2
Threonine, %.....	1.4
Tryptophan, %.....	0.38
Valine, %.....	2.0
Taurine, %.....	0.49

Fat (Acid hydrolysis), %.....	20.5
Linoleic acid, %.....	3.5
Arachidonic acid, %.....	0.07
Omega-3 Fatty Acids, %.....	0.54
Omega-6 Fatty Acids, %.....	3.6

Fiber (Crude), %.....	4.0
Neutral Detergent Fiber, %.....	3.0
Acid Detergent Fiber, %.....	2.6
Starch, %.....	13

Metabolizable Energy²,	
kcal/kg.....	3,880

MINERALS

Ash, %.....	7.5
Calcium, %.....	1.7
Phosphorus, %.....	1.2
Phosphorus (non-phytate), %.....	0.98
Potassium, %.....	0.66
Magnesium, %.....	0.11
Sodium, %.....	0.40
Chloride, %.....	0.59
Sulfur, %.....	0.20
Iron, ppm.....	440
Zinc, ppm.....	245
Manganese, ppm.....	80
Copper, ppm.....	23
Iodine, ppm.....	1.9
Selenium (added), ppm.....	0.20

VITAMINS

Thiamin, ppm.....	95
Riboflavin, ppm.....	21
Niacin, ppm.....	125
Pantothenic acid, ppm.....	25
Choline chloride, ppm.....	2,595
Folic acid, ppm.....	4.3
Pyridoxine, ppm.....	21
Biotin, ppm.....	0.43
Vitamin B ₁₂ , µg/kg.....	185
Vitamin A (added), IU/kg.....	29,260
Vitamin D ₃ (added), IU/kg.....	3,560
Vitamin E, IU/kg.....	475
Vitamin K (as menadione), ppm.....	3.0

Storage Conditions

For best results, ensure polybag seal is fully closed during storage, or store contents of open paper sack in container with sealing lid. Polybag diets are packaged in sealed containers under nitrogen to ensure optimal freshness. Store in a cool (75°F or colder), dry (approximately 50% RH) location. Freezing will not harm the diet and may extend freshness. Adhere to the “Best if used by” date or use within 1 year of bag manufacturing.

¹ Based on the latest ingredient analysis information. Since nutrient composition of natural ingredients varies, analyses will vary accordingly.

² Calculated using modified Atwater factors (3.5 kcal/g protein, 8.5 kcal/g fat, 3.5 kcal/g carbohydrate), based on NRC of Dogs and Cats, 2006.

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