

Puppy Info

As of about 6 weeks your puppy will be eating about 1 cup of food per day. 1/3 cup around 5 AM, 1/3 cup around noon and 1/3 a cup around 5 PM of Diamond Naturals Puppy Food with a couple potty treats during the day. It is up to you and your vet to determine how many times per day your puppy should eat, depending on appetite and weight. If you choose to change your puppy's diet to a different brand, please make the change gradually. If their diet is changed suddenly, it can cause loose stool and an upset tummy. Make sure to keep your puppy hydrated. To regulate pooping you will want to not leave food down — we usually allot 10 or so minutes for eating to help keep them regular. Access to water should be available all day.

The puppies have not been exposed to the grass yet (meaning they have not had to potty outside) as they are not fully vaccinated. If you are comfortable with your backyard that's fine but please keep in mind the health guarantee only covers congenital defects.

I highly recommend kennel training so they have a safe space (like we have our bedrooms). If you do this we highly recommend them being in their crate when not physically with you or during bed time until about 12 weeks of age. This helps solidify the safe space and helps them learn to hold the potty over night or let you know if they cannot.

They come with an item that smells like mom/grandmas to help with the transition. It can take 1-2 weeks for the pup to settle into their new environment. This means that they may not:

- Eat every time you set down food
- Drink a bunch of water
- Be extremely playful
- Come to you when you call

This is totally normal for any animal being rehomed. Its important to offer them food and water multiple times a day (add a little chicken broth or beef broth to their food as needed but don't spoil them with it or they won't eat regular kibble). Also make sure you are very open to loving and praising them even if they are just near you or at your feet and little treats do wonders for them warming up quicker.

The pups should be groomed every 3ish months depending on how long you want their coat. You can go https://www.havanaserescue.com/Grooming_A_Havanese.pdf for more details on brushing, bathing and cuts. Also if you will groom them either yourself or with a groomer it is wise to use a pair of clippers or an electric toothbrush to run along their face and bodies so they get use to the sound an vibrations — same with using a hair dryer a couple times a week with them (on cool setting) and playing a LOT with their feet, face and tail area.

Should your puppy start to show signs of itching more than normal you can put 1 teaspoon of coconut oil into their food (melt and mix in) for each feeding to sooth and heal their skin/coat.

We will email you a couple weeks after you get your little babe to check in and get a couple photos of the pup in their new home.

Here are some recommended puppy supplies:

- Natures Miracle House Breaking potty training spray
- Potty Pads
- Small crate
- Hard teething toy you can freeze
- Ammonia free floor/crate cleaner

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- Pupperoni training treats (or something that's soft for them)
- Coconut Oil (for dry/itchy skin)
- Canned Air (used to gain their attention when they do something bad)

Also, we very much appreciate recommendations/reviews on any or all of:

Our website here: <https://highlakeshavanese.com/comments-and-reviews/>

Our google page here: <https://g.page/r/CUAKOpTWpQjXEAO/review>

And

Our Facebook here: https://m.facebook.com/pg/highlakeshavanese/reviews/?ref=page_internal&mt_nav=0