

PETS CAN SUFFER ANXIETY TOO

By Renee Hobbs



OWNERS OF DOG GONE HOLISTIC, A NATURAL PET MARKET, KIM AND CHRIS TOM CARRY MANY PRODUCTS INCLUDING WAYS TO HELP YOUR PET WITH SEPARATION ANXIETY.

According to The Humane Society of the United States' Website, dogs can suffer from separation anxiety and exhibit behavior problems when they are left alone. There is no understanding as to why animals have this and the Humane Society adds, "It is important to realize that the destructive behavior that is caused by separation anxiety is not the dogs attempt to punish or seek revenge on his owner for leaving him alone, but in reality they are actually part of a panic response." Dog Gone Holistic owners Kim and Chris Tom say, "Look at your pets behavior when you about to leave him alone; does you furry friend shake, cry, bark, cower, pace or display nervousness? Kim goes on to say, "After leaving and coming home are you seeing destructive behavior such as tearing up things in your home, soiling the floor or

chewing items within your pets reach?" Chris says Dog Gone Holistic carries several natural remedies for separation anxiety and goes on to explain some of the products. "Homepet Anxiety", "Pet Calm" and "Rescue Remedy" are all oral drops or sprays that can be put directly in your pet's mouth or on a treat says Kim, who adds, "They are all natural and don't give your pooch a drugged reaction but calm them down and take off the edge." Kim goes on to say, "Our store also carries several great toys to help with destructive behavior and they have places to hold safe and digestible chew treats that will keep your kids busy while you're away." Chris also suggests using a crate for your pet when you are away from home "For his safety and well being, as well as to safeguard you home". Chris goes on to say, "Many dogs actually enjoy their crate and it becomes their safe zone." Also leaving the television or radio on can help as well, adds Chris, "Along with giving your dog special treats and always calmly assuring him you will be coming back, but try not to make a big deal about it because sometimes this can get him more excited and confused." For more information about Dog Gone Holistic located in the Publix anchored Shopping Plaza off FishHawk Blvd. Visit www.doggoneholistic.biz or call 651-0842.



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