

# SPRING HAS SPRUNG!

Well, we've had lots of rubbish weather recently haven't we? But the good news is, this month winter is officially over! Yes, the official first day of Spring is on the 20th March. All around us, things are growing and bursting into life! Flowers are blooming, the days are getting longer, and the sun is finally shining! Why don't we explore all-things-Spring together?

First things first; let's 'spring' into action and check out what we need to do to keep our four-legged friends healthy & happy this season!

These plants may be pretty, but they can be poisonous to pets!

- Bluebells
- Crocus
- Daffodils
- Hyacinth
- Lilies
- Rhododendron
- Tulips



To help your garden grow, you may use some of these - but they can make your pet very ill! Always use natural products and not chemicals if you have pets at home.

- Cocoa shell mulch
- Herbicides
- Pesticides
- Slug pellets



If you're out and about with your dog, be aware of...

- Adder bites. Adders come out of hibernation in spring and will only bite in self-defence, but can be a problem for curious dogs nosing around the ground! They love the sun and can be found basking in woodland and on moors. You must call your vet straight away if you think your pooch is bitten by an adder.
- Bee & wasp stings. Just like us, sometimes our pets can accidentally get stung! Depending on where they're stung, it may not always cause them a problem (but it will hurt - ouch!). Call your vet if you're worried.

