

How to make a Snuffle Mat

What you will need: 1) a rubber mat with holes 2) old fabric material 3) scissors



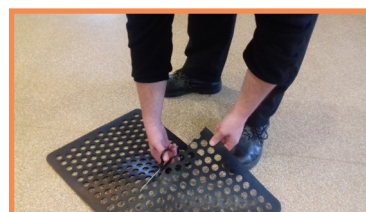
Snuffle mats are great enrichment toys for both dogs and cats and encourage natural foraging skills. They put your pet's nose and brain to work by mimicking the hunt for food in nature. It is also a fun way to keep your pet busy when you are away from home. Additionally, if you require your dog to slow down whilst feeding they act in the same way as many slow feeders, preventing your pet from gulping its food down too quickly. Locate the Snuffle Mat in the desired spot and place your pet's dry food within the mat. Stand back and allow your pet to start snuffling - it's that simple!

Here's how to make one:

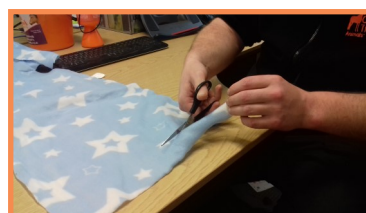
1) Find your rubber mat - with holes! (you can find these in your local hardware store)



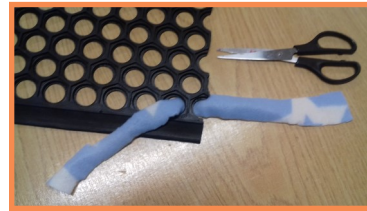
2) Cut your rubber mat in half. Or you can leave it whole for an extra large Snuffle Mat.



3) Cut your strips of fabric material. Fleece material is best as they dry more quickly after washing. But any will do. Cut about 1 inch wide and any length you like. You will need lots and lots of strips to complete your mat.



4) Thread a strip of material through a hole and tie it in a knot.



5) Repeat point 4 many times around each individual hole in the mat. When you can't get any more material around the hole move on to the next hole until the mat is complete.



6) Your finished Snuffle Mat for your pet to enjoy!

