

This list is compiled from skunks owners and their veterinarians of products that have been used successfully on skunks. There is no guarantee a skunk will not have an adverse reaction to any of the products on this list. As always, consult with your veterinarian before using any product on your pet.

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Product Name	Active Ingredient	Used For
Advantage 9 for cats	Imidacloprid	Flea control.
Denamarin	SAMe, Silybin	Liver support and detoxification.
Denosyl	S-Adenosylmethionine	Liver support.
Depo Medrol	Methylprednisolone acetate	An anti-inflammatory glucocorticoid for intramuscular, intra-articular, soft tissue or intralésional injection.
Dexamethasone	Dexamethasone	A potent synthetic member of the glucocorticoid class of steroid hormones. It acts as an anti-inflammatory and immunosuppressant.
Lanoxin, Digitek, Lanoxicaps	Digoxin	Is widely used in the treatment of various heart conditions, namely atrial fibrillation, atrial flutter and sometimes heart failure that can not be controlled by other medication.
Droncit	Praziquantel	Tapeworms.
Duralactin	MicroLactin	Anti-inflammatory.
Elavil, Endep, Vanatrip	Amitriptyline	Mild sedative.
Enacard	Enalapril maleate	For the treatment of mild, moderate or severe heart failure. Helps the heart beat more efficiently, prevents fluid build-up in the lungs, lowers blood pressure, improves ability to tolerate exercise.
Evict	Pyrantel Pamoate	Roundworms and hookworms.
Ferretonin	Melatonin	Hormonal related issues.
Lasix	Furosemide	Diuretic especially useful with heart patients.
Isoflurane gas		Anesthesia.
Nemex 2, Strongid T	Pyrantel Pamoate	Roundworms and hookworms.
Panacur	Fenbendazole	Roundworms, hookworms, whipworms, tapeworms, flukes & Giardia.
Prednisone	Prednisone	Synthetic corticosteroid.
Soloxin	Levothyroxine Sodium	Useful for the thyroid. Stimulates metabolism, growth, development & differentiation of tissues.
Valium	Diazepam	Used to relieve anxiety, muscle spasms and seizures.
Vetmedin	Pimobendan	Helps the heart to pump more efficiently.
<b>Antibiotics</b>		
Albon	Sulfadimethoxine	Coccidia.
Antirobe	Clindamycin hydrochloride	Dental and soft tissue infections.
Chloramphenicol		Chloramphenicol should only be used for serious infections in which other medicines do not work.
Chloromycetin palmitate		
Clavamox drops	Amoxicillin + Clavulanate	Amoxicillin + clavulanate is a combination of two drugs that act together synergistically to treat or prevent bacterial infections in animals. Amoxicillin is an antibiotic related to penicillin except that it has a broader spectrum of antibacterial action.
Convenia	Cefovecin sodium	Injection that lasts for two weeks.
Keflex (cefa)	Cephalexin	Broad-spectrum antibiotic used to treat bacterial infections of the skin, urinary tract, respiratory tract, bones and joints.
Bactrim, Septra, Tribissen	sulfisoxazole/trimethoprim	Sulfa antibiotics to treat eye infections and staph that has minimal effect on the normal flora of the GI tract of the patient meaning less potential for antibiotic induced diarrheas and less resistant bacteria in the home.

**Vitamins/ Minerals/ Amino Acids****Used For**

Calcium	Mineral	Supplemental calcium can do more harm than good and should only be done under veterinary supervision.
Chromium	Trace Mineral	Serum sugar regulator.
Gamma-aminobutyric acid (GABA)	Amino Acid	Reduces anxiety.
L-Carnitine	Amino Acid	Heart health.
L-Glutamin	Amino Acid	Used for gastrointestinal disorders, leaky gut and promotes wound healing.
L-Theanine	Amino Acid	Anxiety and stress.
MethylSulfonylmethane (MSM)	Mineral	Anti-inflammatory.
N-Acetyl-Cysteine (NAC)	Amino Acid derivative	Helps the body neutralize toxins, helps to prevent liver damage caused from overuse of acetaminophen (Tylenol). Useful in leaky gut.
Pet Tinic	Iron Supplement	Anemia.
Taurine	Amino Acid	Heart and neurological health.
Vitamin B6	Vitamin	Needed for assimilation of free form amino acids.
Vitamin B 12	Vitamin	Appetite stimulant, energy booster.
Vitamin K	Vitamin	A true antidote for poisoning by coumarins such as bromadiolone, commonly found in rodenticides.
Zinc	Mineral	

**Herbs/ Homeopathic/ Nutraceuticals****Used For**

Arnica montana	Homeopathic	Anti-inflammatory, Pain.
Bioplasma Cell Salts	Homeopathic	Help maintain an appropriate balance within the cells of the body.
CO-Q-10	Nutraceutical	Heart Support.
Dandelion Leaf	Herbal	Detoxifier, improves health, mobility & stiffness in joints. Strengthens liver, builds up blood & helps anemia. Rich in potassium. Ideally balanced diuretic & prevents potassium deficiency with pharmaceutical diuretics. Good for water retention with heart problems. Restores gastric balance.
Dimethylglycine (DMG)	Nutraceutical	Anti-inflammatory.
DGL	Nutraceutical	Licorice derivative with glycyrrhiza (component that can cause high blood pressure) removed. Good for digestive issues, upset stomach and liver issues.
DL-Phenylalanine (DLPA)	Nutraceutical	Pain, inflammation.
Ginger	Herbal	An herbal remedy for asthma and coughs related to inflammation or allergies. Ginger has been used to treat nausea, indigestion, cramps, migraine headaches and to lower blood cholesterol & as a cleanser.
Hawthorn Berry Drops	Herbal	Heart Support.
Hydraplenish	Nutraceutical	Hyaluronic Acid - Joint lubricant. Useful for disc problems.
Milk Thistle	Herbal	Protects and regenerates the liver. Not for long term use.
Nopal	Herbal	Helps maintain healthy blood sugar levels.
Olive Leaf Extract	Herbal	Natural antibacterial, antifungal, and anti-inflammatory.
Oreganol p73	Oil of Oregano	Natural antibiotic, anti-viral.
Rose Hips	Herbal	High in Vitamin C, good for adrenal glands, arteriosclerosis, blood purifier, cancer, circulation, contagious diseases.
Serrafazyme	Proteolytic Enzyme	Serrapeptase from silk worms - Inflammation, heart health, pain.
Sovereign Silver	Silver Hydrosol	A natural antibiotic and healing agent. Also used for its anti-fungal & anti-viral properties.
Traumeel	Homeopathic	Pain, inflammation.
Turmeric	Herbal/Spice	Inflammation, digestive issues.
Valerian Root	Herbal	A powerful nerve, stimulant, calmative and antispasmodic. Alleviates pain and promotes sleep.

**Miscellaneous Supplements****Used For**

Acidophilus	Probiotic	Helps restore a healthy digestive tract, especially when antibiotics are given.
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Bee Pollen	Considered a super food	Bee pollen contains an incredible array of vitamins, minerals, amino acids, enzymes, co-enzymes, and hormones. It is especially rich in B vitamins and antioxidants, vitamins C & E and several flavanoids.
Beta Glucan	Beta 1, 3-D Glucans	Beta 1, 3-D glucans seem to make the immune system work better without becoming overactive.
Bromelain Powder	Proteolytic Enzyme	Anti-inflammatory.
Carlson For Kids DHA	Dietary Supplement	Omega 3 Fatty Acid.
Chondroitin Sulfate	Dietary Supplement	Bone and joints. Treatment for osteoarthritis.
Dr. Goodpet	Digestive Enzymes	Plant based digestive enzymes.
Glucosamine Sulfate	Dietary Supplement	Bone and joints. Treatment for osteoarthritis.
Prozyme	Digestive Enzymes	Plant based digestive enzymes.
Pancreatin, Viokase	Porcine Enzymes	Porcine based digestive enzyme.
Diatomaceous Earth (DE)	Fossil Shell Flour	Safe, natural way to get rid of internal and external parasites.
Flax Seed Oil	Nutritional Supplement	Omega-6 and Omega-3 fatty acids.
Liver Support Factors	Liver Support & Detoxifier	Use when animal is on a steroid or other treatment that affects the liver. Use twice a year for liver support.
PetSpan	Nutritional Supplement	Chlorella supplement for organ support and as a detoxifier.
Rescue Remedy	Bach's Flower Essence	Stress relief & shock.
Royal Jelly	Considered the perfect food	
Synovi	Supplement	Joint and arthritis.
Whey Protein	Nutritional Supplement	Highly digestible protein supplement.

**Not Safe For Skunks**

Metacam (Meloxicam)  
 Baytril  
 NSAIDS

Skunks have died after taking Metacam from ruptured stomachs  
 Skunks have died after taking Baytril from liver failure  
 NSAIDS cause liver failure in skunks (including aspirin)

**Normal Temperature Range**

95 - 98.6

**Skunk Blood Values**

	Low	High		Low	High
Hemoglobin	9	20.7	Glucose	85	210
Hematocrit	33	60	Urea Nitrogen	9	30
Leukocytes WBC	3	11.5	Creatinine	0.5	1.5
Erythrocytes RBC	4.4	10	Total Protein	5.3	8.5
MCV	40	100	Albumin	2.2	4.5
MCH	15	40	Bilirubin, Total	0.1	0.5
MCHC	29	37	Alk Phosphatase	0	89
Platelet Count	117	428	ALT (SGPT)	0	250
Platelet Est			AST (SGOT)	0	250
Seg Neutrophils	1.91	3.4	Cholesterol	60	250
Band Neutrophils	0	0.04	Calcium	7.8	10.3
Lymphocytes	0.64	1.7	Phosphorus	4	8.2
Monocytes	0.04	0.21	S (NA+)	139	157
Eosinophils	0	0.8	P (K+)	4.7	6
Basophile	0	0.4	C (CL-)	95	114
			Globulin	2.2	4.9
			Creatinine Kinase (CPK)	200	1000
			Bicarbonate CO2	18	30
			Anion Gap	14	34
			Serum Osmolality	275	325
			A/G Ratio	0.7	1.9
			Cl/P Ratio	0.01	35
			Bilirubin Direct	0.01	0.2
			Bilirubin Indir		
			LDH	200	850
			GGT	0.01	15
			Triglycerides	25	190
			Amylase	80	230
			Lipase	0.01	45
			Total T4 (Thyroid)	1	3.5