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2518 Ivy Chapel Rd. Little Rock, AR 72206, 501-425-9842**

Foods have been scored for convenience and listed alphabetically by both Brand and by Score

BRAND	SCORE	GRADE
Alpo Prime Cuts	81	C
Artemis Medium/Large Breed Puppy	114	A+
Authority Harvest Baked	116	A+
Authority Harvest Baked Less Active	93	B
Beowulf Back to Basics	101	A+
Beneful by Purina	17	F
Bil-Jac Select	68	F
Blackwood 3000 Lamb and Rice	83	C
Blue Buffalo Chicken and Rice	106	A+
Blue Buffalo Lamb and Rice	113	A+
Burns Chicken and Brown Rice	107	A+
Canidae	112	A+
Chicken Soup for the Puppy Lover's Soul: Large Breed	118	A+
Chicken Soup Senior	115	A+
Diamond Maintenance	64	F
Diamond Lamb Meal & Rice	92	B
Diamond Naturals Large Breed	103	A+
Diamond Performance	85	C
Dick Van Patten's Natural Balance Ultra Premium	122	A+
Dick Van Patten's Natural Balance Venison & Brown Rice	106	A+
Dick Van Patten's Duck and Potato	106	A+
Eagle Pack Holistic	119	A+
Eagle Pack Holistic Chicken	114	A+
Eagle Pack Large and Giant Breed Puppy	94	A
Eagle Pack Natural	94	A

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Eukanuba Large Breed Adult	83	C
Eukanuba Natural Lamb and Rice	87	B
Eukanuba Puppy	79	C
Flint River Ranch (non-specific fat source)	92	B
Flint River Senior	101	A+
Foundations	106	A+
Hund-n-Flocken Adult Dog (Lamb) by Solid Gold	93	A
Iams Lamb Meal & Rice Formula Premium	73	D
Iams Large Breed	83	C
Iams Puppy	89	B
Iams Senior	85	C
Innova Dog	114	A+
Innova Evo	114	A+
Innova Large Breed Puppy	122	A+
Kibbles and Bits	44	F
Kirkland Lamb and Rice	97	A
Kirkland Signature Chicken, Rice, and Vegetables	110	A+
Kirkland Signature Puppy Chicken, Rice and Vegetable	108	A+
Maxxium Lamb and Rice	93	B
Member's Mark Chicken and Rice	84	C
Merrick Puppy	129	A+
Merrick Wilderness Blend	127	A+
Nature's Recipe	100	A
Nature's Recipe Healthy Skin Venison and Rice	116	A+
Nature's Variety Raw Instinct	122	A+

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Natural Balance Duck and Potato	114	A+
Neutro Max Adult	93	B
Nutra Nuggets Super Premium Lamb Meal and Rice	81	C
Nutriscience Junior Medium Breed Puppy	101	A+
Nutrisource Lamb and Rice	87	B
Nutro Chicken, Rice, & Oatmeal (non-specific fat source)	85	C
Nutro Natural Choice Large Breed Puppy	87	B
Nutro Natural Choice Lamb and Rice	85	C
Nutro Natural Choice Puppy Wheat Free	86	B
Natural Choice Senior	95	A
Nutro Ultra Adult	104	A+
Nutro Ultra Puppy	97	A
Ol' Roy Complete Nutrition	9	F
Orijen Large Breed Puppy	119	A+
Pedigree Complete Nutrition	42	F
Pedigree Adult Complete	14	F
Pedigree Puppy	66	F
Pedigree Lamb and Rice	50	F
Pet Gold Adult with Lamb & Rice	23	F
Premium Edge Chicken, Rice and Vegetables Adult Dry	109	A
Pro Nature Puppy	80	C
Pro Plan All Breed	68	F
Pro Plan Large Breed	68	F
Pro Plan Natural Turkey & Barley	103	A+
Pro Plan Sensitive Stomach's	94	A

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BRAND	SCORE	GRADE
Purina Dog	62	F
Purina Come-n-Get It	16	F
Purina One Large Breed Puppy	62	F
Royal Canin Boxer	103	A+
Royal Canin Bulldog	100	A+
Royal Canin Dachshund 28 Formula	97	A
Royal Canin German Shepherd	104	A+
Royal Canin Natural Blend Adult	106	A+
Science Diet Advanced Protein Senior 7+	63	F
Science Diet Chicken Adult Maintenance	45	F
Science Diet for Large Breed Puppies	69	F
Sensible Choice Chicken and Rice	123	A+
Solid Gold Bison	97	A
Summit	99	A
Taste of the Wild	125	A+
Taste of the Wild High Prairie Formula	116	A+
Timberwolf Organics Lamb and Venison	136	A+
Timberwolf Organics Wild and Natural Dry	120	A+
Wellness Just for Puppy	117	A+
Wellness Super5 Mix Chicken	110	A+
Wolfking Adult Dog (Bison) by Solid Gold	97	A
TLC Whole Life Natural Pet Food	97	A

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Timberwolf Organics Lamb and Venison	136	A+
Merrick Puppy	129	A+
Merrick Wilderness Blend	127	A+
Taste of the Wild (All Life Stages)	125	A+
Solid Gold Bison	123	A+
Dick Van Patten's Natural Balance Ultra Premium	122	A+
Innova Large Breed Puppy	122	A+
Nature's Variety Raw Instinct	122	A+
Timberwold Organics Wild and Natural Dry	120	A+
Eagle Pack Holistic	119	A+
Orijen Large Breed Puppy	119	A+
Chicken Soup for the Puppy Lover's Soul: Large Breed	118	A+
Wellness Just for Puppy	117	A+
Authority Harvest Baked	116	A+
Nature's Recipe Healthy Skin Venison and Rice	116	A+
Chicken Soup Senior	115	A+
Aetemis Medium/Large Breed Puppy	114	A+
Eagle Pack Holistic Chicken	114	A+
Innova Dog	114	A+
Innova Evo	114	A+
Natural Balance Duck and Potato	114	A+
Blue Buffalo Lamb and Rice	113	A+
Canidae	112	A+
Taste of the Wild High Prairie Formula	112	A+
Kirkland Signature Chicken, Rice and Vegetables	110	A+

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Wellness Super 5 Mix Chicken	110	A+
Premium Edge Chicken, Rice and Vegetables Adult Dry	109	A+
Kirkland Signature Puppy Chicken, Rice and Vegetables	108	A+
Burns Chicken and Brown Rice	107	A+
Dick Van Patten's Duck and Potato	106	A+
Dick Van Patten's Natural Balance Venison and Brown Rice	106	A+
Royal Canin Natural Blend Adult	106	A+
Foundations	106	A+
Nutro Ultra Adult	104	A+
Pro Plan Selects Turkey and Barley Score	104	A+
Royal Canin German Shepherd	104	A+
Diamond Naturals Large Breed	103	A+
Pro Plan Selects Turkey and Barley	103	A+
Royal Canin Boxer	103	A+
Eagle Pack Holistic	102	A+
Beowulf Back to Basics	101	A+
Flint River Senior	101	A+
Nutrience Junior Medium Puppy	101	A+
Nature's Recipe	100	A
Royal Canin Bulldog	100	A
Summit	99	A
Nutro Natural Choice Lamb and Rice	98	A
Kirkland Lamb and Rice	97	A
Nutro Ultra Puppy	97	A
Royal Canin Dachshund 28 Formula	97	A
Sensible Choice Chicken and Rice	97	A

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TLC Whole Life Natural Pet Food	97	A
Wolfking Adult Dog (Bison) by Solid Gold	97	A
Nutro Natural Choice Senior	95	A
Eagle Pack Large and Giant Breed Puppy	94	A
Eagle Pack Natural	94	A
Pro Plan Sensitive Stomach	94	A
Authority Harvest Baked Less Active	93	A
Hund-n-Flocken Adult Dog (Lamb) by Solid Gold	93	A
Maxxium Lamb and Rice	93	A
Nutro Max Adult	93	A
Diamond Lamb Meal Rice	92	B
Flint River Ranch (non-specific fat source)	92	B
Iams Puppy	89	B
Eukanuba Natural Lamb and Rice	87	B
Nutrisource Lamb and Rice	87	B
Nutro Natural Choice Large Breed Puppy	86	B
Nutro Natural Choice Puppy Wheat Free	85	C
Diamond Performance	85	C
Iams Senior	85	C
Nutro Chicken, Rice and Oatmeal (non-specific fat source)	85	C
Nutro Natural Choice Lamb and Rice	85	C
Member's Mark Chicken and Rice	84	C
Blackwood 3000 Lamb and Rice	83	C
Eukanuba Large Breed Adult	83	C
Iams Large Breed	83	C
Alpo Prime Cuts	81	C

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Pro Nature Puppy	80	C
Eukanuba Puppy	79	C
Iams Lamb Meal and Rice Formula Premium	73	D
Pro Plan Puppy	71	D
Science Diet for Large Breed Puppies	69	F
Bil-Jac Select	68	F
Pro Plan All Breed	68	F
Pro Plan Large Breed	68	F
Pedigree Puppy	66	F
Diamond Maintenance	64	F
Science Diet Advanced Protein Senior 7+	63	F
Purina Dog	62	F
Purina One Large Breed Puppy	62	F
Pedigree Lamb and Rice	50	F
Science Diet Chicken Adult Maintenance	45	F
Kibbles and Bits	44	F
Pedigree Complete Nutrition	42	F
Pet Gold Adult with Lamb and Rice	23	F
Purina Beneful	17	F
Purina Come-n-Get It	16	F
Pedigree Adult Complete	14	F
Ol Roy Complete Nutrition	9	F

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How to Grade Your Dog Food

Look at the ingredient's information of your dog food. Find the ingredient listed on the table below. Starting with 100 points, add or subtract the points given for each ingredient and total the points. Print this sheet to total your points for each item & then the grade scale is listed at the end of the table.

For every listing of "by-product", subtract 10 points

For every non-specific animal source ("meat" or "poultry", meat, meal or fat) reference, subtract 10 points

If the food contains BHA, BHT, or ethoxyquin, subtract 10 points

For every grain "mill run" or non-specific grain source, subtract 5 points

If the same grain ingredient is used 2 or more times in the first five ingredients (i.e. "ground brown rice", "brewer's rice", rice flour" are all the same grain), subtract 5 points

If the protein sources are not meat meal and there are less than 2 meats in the top 3 ingredients, subtract 3 points

If it contains any artificial colorants, subtract 3 points

If it contains ground corn or whole grain corn, subtract 3 points

If corn is listed in the top 5 ingredients, subtract 2 more points

If the food contains any animal fat other than fish oil, subtract 2 points

If lamb is the only animal protein source (unless your dog is allergic to other protein sources), subtract 2 points

If it contains soy or soybeans, subtract 2 points

If it contains wheat (unless you know that your dog isn't allergic to wheat), subtract 2 points

If it contains beef (unless you know that your dog isn't allergic to beef), subtract 1 point

If it contains salt, subtract 1 point

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Extra Credit:

If any of the meat sources are organic, add 5 points

If the food is endorsed by any major breed group or nutritionist, add 5 points

If the food is baked not extruded, add 5 points

If the food contains probiotics, add 3 points

If the food contains fruit, add 3 points

If the food contains vegetables (NOT corn or other grains), add 3 points

If the animal sources are hormone-free and antibiotic-free, add 2 points

If the food contains barley, add 2 points

If the food contains flax seed oil (not just the seeds), add 2 points

If the food contains oats or oatmeal, add 1 point

If the food contains sunflower oil, add 1 point

For different specific animal protein sources (other than the first one; count “chicken” and “chicken meal” as only one protein source but “chicken and ” as 2 different sources) add 1 point

If it contains glucosamine and chondroitin, add 1 point

If the vegetables have been tested for pesticides and are pesticide-free, add 1 point.

A = 94-100 B = 86-93 C = 78-85 D = 70-77 F = 69 or lower