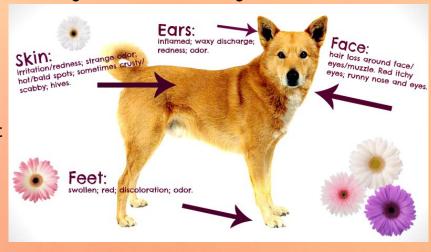
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## Autumn Brings Allergies

Cooler weather will soon be here in Arizona, and with the change of seasons comes fall allergies. Many people don't realize that dogs and cats are affected by the same allergens that plaque humans. Our pets can experience red, watery eyes, sneezing, and coughing, but even more commonly skin issues are the problem.

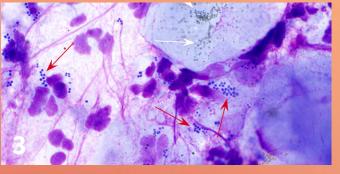






Any breed of dog or mix of breeds can experience allergies, in particular because allergies in dogs are believed to be hereditary in nature. There are certainly some breeds that are more prone than others:

Allergies in pets usually present as itchy skin, ears and feet that can quickly lead to infection. When the skin's natural environment is disrupted by constant scratching this allows bacteria and/or yeast to proliferate causing a superficial infection. This infection itself can then cause itching making the problem even worse. If you see red, irritated skin, small bumps, crusts on the skin or hair loss this may indicate infection is present and a visit to the vet is necessary.



This is a photo of bacteria and yeast as seen under the microscope by your pet's veterinarian. This diagnostic tool allows your pet's vet to determine the type of infection present and choose the best treatment for your pet.



- **German Shepherds**
- **Shar Peis**
- **Boxers**
- **Boston Terriers**
- **Labrador Retrievers**
- **Golden Retrievers**



- **West Highland White Terriers**
- **Shiba Inus**
- **Cocker Spaniels**
- **Dalmatians**
- **Sheltland Sheepdogs**











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