

Pet owners desire more recognizable ingredient lists on packaging.





Pet owners tend to project their dietary concerns on to their pets.

# Fruit Ingredients for the Pet Industry



More *fruits*, more *forms*, more *possibilities*...

## SPECIALIZING IN Fruit Ingredients FOR THE Pet Food Industry

Tree Top is a grower-owned fruit cooperative processing more fruits, in more forms, than any other supplier on earth. Our facilities are strategically located close to where the fruit is grown. This proximity to the fruit provides the highest quality fruit ingredients to ensure exceptional performance in your finished product.

- Tree Top is a primary fruit ingredient supplier to most of the world's top food manufacturers.
- Primary Processor annually processing over 800 million pounds of fresh fruit into high-quality, safe fruit ingredients.
  - Tree fruits apples, pears, peaches, plums, apricots, cherries
  - Berries strawberries, raspberries, blueberries, blackberries, cranberries
  - Concord grapes

For over half a century, Tree Top's discriminating quality standards have gained us a reputation of a trusted and reliable fruit ingredient supplier to the world's top food and beverage brands. These same high-quality standards go into everything we make, including our product offerings to the pet food manufacturing industry.... We believe everyone deserves good food<sup>™</sup>, including our pets.

As consumers increasingly recognize the sensory and nutritional benefits of fresh and "natural" foods, they want the same qualities in food they buy for their pets. With pet food nutrition taking on a human direction, Tree Top's fruit offerings can aid product developers in formulating pet foods with natural, easily recognizable ingredients. In fact, according to Mintel, a consumer market research firm, adding fruit to pet food recipes appeals to consumers who are more aware of the importance of such healthy foods in their own diet.

#### FRUITS'BENEFITS ARE ENDLESS...

- Health Halo
- Source of Fiber
  - Rich in Antioxidants
- Natural
- Simplicity
- Flavorful
- Recognizable ingredients
- Naturally Occurring
  Vitamin & Minerals
- Fat Free
  - Gluten Free
  - Nutritious

- Vegan
  - Trusted
- Meat replacement
- Minimal processing
- Positive on-pack
  label presence
- Made in USA

### **DRIED APPLES**

Dried apples are prepared from sound, properly ripened fruit which has been washed, peeled and cored, sorted, trimmed, cut to the desired size and dried to specified moisture range. In the case of a "dry cut," an additional cutting is required following the drying process.

Moisture: Evaporated 16% - 26% depending on style Low moisture 1.0% - 3.5%

Size:

Dices, Grinds and Pie Pieces

#### FRUIT PURÉE

Fruit purées are prepared from sound, properly ripened fruit which has been washed, and processed through finishing sieves to achieve desired size and texture. For concentrated puree, the fruit is processed through an evaporator to remove additional water.

Apple	Apricot	Blackberry	Blueberry	Cherry
Cranberry	Concord Grape	Mango	Peach	Pear
Plum	Raspberry	Strawberry		
Size:	0.033" – 0.25"			
Brix:	Single Strength (8°-16°)			
	Concentrate 28°, 32°, 38°, 45°			

### FROZEN IQF APPLES

Frozen apple products are prepared from sound, properly ripened fruit which has been washed, peeled, cored, sorted, cut to the desired piece size and individually quick frozen.

Size:

3<sup>\*</sup> x 3<sup>\*</sup> x 3<sup>\*</sup>, 12<sup>\*</sup> x 12<sup>\*</sup> x 12<sup>\*</sup>, and slices treated with salt, ascorbic or erythoric acid, and citric acid

### FRUIT FLAKE POWDERS

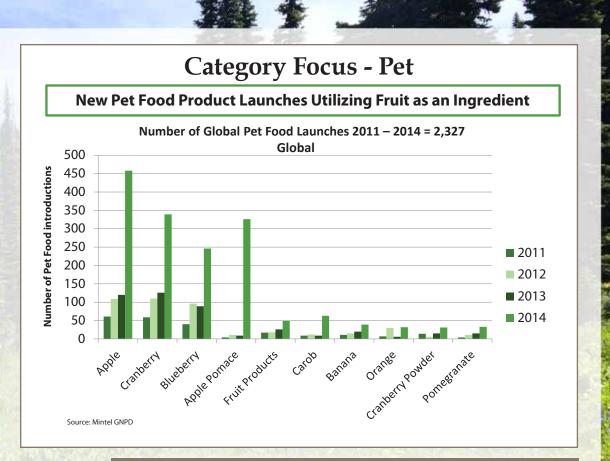
Drum Dried Fruit Flakes prepared from sound fruit, which have been washed, pureed, sieved thoroughly, drum dried and milled to the proper screen specifications.

Size: 8 mesh, 20 mesh, and unsieved

**Moisture:** 1% – 3.5%

Variety: Apple, Pear, Blueberry Grape Apple, Cherry Apple Cherry, Grape Apple, Raspberry Apple Pear Strawberry Apple Pear, and Strawberry

All of the products Tree Top manufacturers are prepared, processed, packaged and delivered in accordance with current good manufacturing practices and under strict sanitary conditions to assure good product definitions. All product are inspected throughout the process to assure the product is in compliance with the provisions of the Federal Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act.



Fruits and vegetables can enhance weight management by providing bulk with relatively few calories. Healthier skin and a shinier coat are other benefits. Source: Datamonitor







For a complete list of all our products and product specification sheets visit **treetopingredients.com** 

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