

The Truth about Lyme Disease

Sniff out the myths and learn the facts to protect your pet



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Myth #1: I don't live in a wooded area, so my pet can't get ticks.

Even if your pets don't commonly visit wooded areas, high grass, or brush, ticks are able to live their entire life cycle in or near your home. Woodpiles near or inside the home provide a great environment for ticks to survive. Ticks can also live in low grass and trees in your backyard.

Myth #2: I haven't seen ticks on my pet, so they aren't at risk.

When ticks are engorged in their adult stage, they are easily visible, but not as much when they're in the larva and nymph stages. While you may be able to remove adult ticks, you can't be sure those ticks haven't laid eggs on your pets. Remember, it only takes one tick infestation to put your pet at risk for Lyme Disease.

Myth #3: I don't need to worry about flea and tick prevention during the colder seasons.

Ticks are very hardy insects with peak populations during the fall season. During winter, they can freeze underground and can emerge to eat/find a host during thaws. For best protection, apply preventatives year round!