



# Mar Vista Animal Medical Center

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## **BUPRENORPHINE**

**(Brand Names:  
Buprinex, Carpuject)**

**STRENGTH:** LIQUID FOR BUCCAL  
(INSIDE CHEEK) USE IN CATS

**ROUTE OF ADMINISTRATION:** BUCCAL (Administer in between the cheek and gum. Do not squirt into the mouth/tongue).

**ACTION OF MEDICATION:** NARCOTIC/OPIOID PAIN RELIEVER (partial u-agonist).

**MOST COMMON SIDE EFFECTS REPORTED:** Sedation, dilated pupils, euphoria.

**SEVERE SIDE EFFECTS REPORTED:** Respiratory Depression (rare).

**STORAGE:** Keep away from light and store at room temperature. Do not refrigerate.

**IF YOU MISS A DOSE:** Do not double up on the next dose. Simply give the medication when it is remembered or pick up with the next dose, allowing at least the proper interval between doses according to the label instructions.

**OTHER INFORMATION:** Combining with other sedating medications will compound the sedation side effect. See the link below for drug interactions. Buprenorphine is a controlled substance; special paperwork is needed for its prescription.

For a more detailed presentation, visit:

<https://www.marvistavet.com/buprenorphine.pml>