



# Mar Vista Animal Medical Center

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## **PREDNISONE AND PREDNISOLONE**

**STRENGTH:** 5 mg, 20 mg Tablets for prednisolone;  
1 mg, 2.5 mg, 5 mg, 10 mg, 20 mg, & 50 mg Tablet  
as well as oral syrup for prednisone

**ROUTE OF ADMINISTRATION:** ORAL. May be given with or without food.

**ACTION OF MEDICATION:** Glucocorticoid hormone. Many uses and dosage largely defines the activity of this drug. It can be anti-inflammatory, immune suppressive, part of cancer chemotherapy, or used for its hormonal effects on blood sugar.

**MOST COMMON SIDE EFFECTS REPORTED:** Excessive water consumption and thirst due to salt retention, increased appetite, panting. Liver enzyme tests will be altered by the use of this medication.

**SEVERE SIDE EFFECTS REPORTED:** Can promote development of diabetes mellitus, heart failure (through salt retention), and/or stomach ulcers in predisposed individuals. Can activate or promote latent infections. Can induce abortion.

**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:** Not compatible with Non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs and a wash out period after using either drug, before the other can be started.

For a more detailed presentation, visit:

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