



# Mar Vista Animal Medical Center

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## **SPINOSAD** **(Brand Names:** **Comfortis, Trifexis)**

**STRENGTH:** 140 mg, 240 mg, 560 mg,  
810 mg, 1620 mg Chewable Tablets

**ROUTE OF ADMINISTRATION:** ORAL. Works fastest and has fewer side effects if given with food.

**ACTION OF MEDICATION:** Macrocytic Lactone insecticide. Considered to be a "green" or natural product.

**MOST COMMON SIDE EFFECTS REPORTED:** Vomiting after administration is the most common side effect, especially on the first dose. This can be mitigated by giving the tablet with food or by breaking the tablet in half, giving one half in the morning and one half in the evening.

**SEVERE SIDE EFFECTS REPORTED:** Generally no serious side effects at usual doses but seizures could result if combined with high doses of ivermectin.

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

**IF YOU MISS A DOSE:** Give the dose when it is remembered.

**OTHER INFORMATION:** Does not kill parasites other than fleas unless combined with other medications (such as milbemycin oxime as in Trifexis®). If a dose is vomited within one hour of administration, a fresh dose should be given. If more than one hour has passed, enough spinosad has been absorbed to be effective.

For a more detailed presentation, visit:

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