

To Feed or Not to Feed

*I have a raccoon coming into my yard.
What can I feed it?*

Raccoons are very opportunistic feeders. They will eat almost anything that is available, including your pet's food. Don't let that happen!

Having a "neighborhood" raccoon dependent upon humans for food can also cause problems for your neighbors. Raccoons are a rabies-prone species in Georgia. Purposely bringing them closer to humans is never a good idea.

Fact of Fiction?

It is true that even if your pet is vaccinated against rabies, there is still a chance it can contract the virus.

The Best Way to Handle Meandering Raccoons

Do not feed raccoons or allow them to eat your pet's food.

If you feed raccoons, they will come to depend upon that food for their source of nutrition.

Their diet should come from natural foods that they can obtain from the habitat around them.