

Social distancing tips



Are you worried about holding a Paws for Tea and how to socially distance at the same time? We have some top tips to help you make the most of your tea party during these different times.

The Virtual Tea Party

Why not hold your Paws for Tea in the virtual world and get in touch with your favourite people over your favourite brew!

Ask your virtual guests to donate the cost of their cuppa and cakes and help pets in need whilst having a great time in the comfort of your own homes.

How can you make it extra fun?

Let your imagination go wild! You could have a Karaoke contest, a dance off, or you could host a quiz or hold a fitness class – then gorge on yummy cake afterwards as your reward.

Or simply make use of the host games that you will find in our FREE PAWS FOR TEA HOST PACK ('How many treats in the jar' and 'Who ate all the cakes?')

Need some virtual tea party inspiration?

See overleaf for some ideas to help you plan your event.

What you need to live stream?



Laptop or smartphone



microphone, speakers, internet access and a tripod or a steady hand!

What platforms can I use?

There are so many different platforms out there, but these are some of our favourites:



Facebook Rooms



Messenger Chat



Google hangout



Houseparty



Skype

zoom

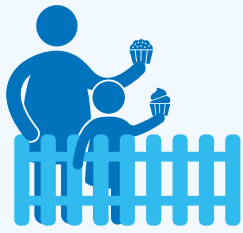
Zoom



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We change theirs

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The Driveway/Over the Garden Fence Tea Party

Invite your neighbours to join you for a mini street Paws for Tea party, raising a cuppa together whilst social distancing. Will you all be out the front on your drives, or hold your parties in your back gardens and chat 'old style' over the garden fence?



Teddy Bears Picnic Tea Party

Get the little ones involved in organising a tea party, inviting all their favourite cuddly friends. Ask friends from schools or youth groups to join in on the same day and for the parents to make donation for taking part. It could even be one, big online party!



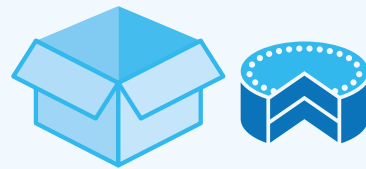
Across the Miles Tea Party

This idea is a virtual twist on the Driveway/Over the Fence tea party. Invite friends and neighbours to Paws for Tea on the same day at the same time and all connect together online. How many miles can you cover between you? Will you take Paws for Tea to a different country even?



The Blue Cross 'Bake Off'

Set your friends and family the challenge of baking something new and showcase their creations either live online or by submitting a photograph to you to judge. Raise dough by asking each person to make a donation to enter.



Cakes to order

Set up an online giving page such as 'JustGiving' or 'GivePenny' and ask for donations for bespoke orders. You can then deliver them to your customer and leave their tasty treat safely on the doorstep for them .



Donate your cuppa

We appreciate that times are very different at the moment and you may just not feel in the tea party mood. That's ok, why not just donate the cost of your cuppa and cakes instead to help us continue helping sick, injured and homeless pets. Simply go to bluecross.org.uk/paws-for-tea-donate to make your donation.

Thank you!