

Dog Training Articles
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CHEWING

Well, there is no cure for chewing. Dogs chew for different reasons – but the two main reasons are boredom and stress. If there was a way to teach your dog not to chew while you are at work or to stop chewing – I'd be a millionaire. The only way to stop chewing is to eliminate the problem by way of a crate or outside kennel. If the problem is boredom, training and daily interactive exercise w/ you (retrieve or tug) for at least an hour every evening should lessen it. If the problem is stress, training and exercise will certainly help but some dogs have separation anxiety and depending on the level (if the dog is hurting himself) he may need to be seen by a Vet. I have seen some dogs get better when a second/calm dog is added to the house or a dog walker is used. But most dogs will just out grow it. Some times at a year old and some times longer than that.