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### **Neem – The 8th Wonder Of The World?**

Neem trees are native to India and known as “The Village Pharmacy” because of the amazing properties of the bark, leaves, twigs and fruits (that produce Neem Oil): anti-inflammatory, anti-bacterial, anti-viral, anti-fungal and insecticidal to name but a few. Neem contains over 100 active ingredients and gives excellent results in nearly every area of dermatology. This is not only useful for guinea pigs, but for humans too.

Here is one of the more unusual uses for Neem Toothpaste.....

### **Toothpaste for piggies – whatever next?**

Neem Toothpaste has proved to be extremely effective for piggies with bad mouth ulcers and / or infections, usually as a result of damage done to their mouth by overgrown teeth. Once the teeth have been trimmed properly (without anaesthetic of course...), apply a blob of toothpaste on the end of a cotton bud. Go into the mouth behind the front teeth and wiggle the cotton bud to spread the toothpaste around the mouth. Use 2 - 3 times a day. This has turned several pigs around in just a few days and enabled them to eat without the pain of a nasty ulcer.

Doodle at [Thistle Cavies Rescue](#) was one such case. He had a growth on the inside of his cheek and was biting it every time he tried to eat. It had become infected, and on top of that, he also had oral thrush. Despite being given Daktarin Oral Gel for a long time, his mouth was still sore and he was losing weight even though he was being syringe fed. His human was on the verge of having him put to sleep if there was no improvement in a day or two. Nothing seemed to be working and he was in a very poor state. Within a couple of days of using the Neem toothpaste, Doodle picked up and started eating on his own, gaining weight, and hasn't looked back since.

Mary H also took the toothpaste for a test drive with excellent results: *“Poppy came to us recently with bad overgrowth of her molars. She also had a deep ulcer on her right cheek, right at the back of her mouth. After 6 days of trying Daktarin Oral Gel and a teething gel, the ulcer had not even started to heal. I contacted Chrissie to see if she could help, and she suggested trying Neem Toothpaste. I put a pea size blob on a cotton bud and smeared it round the affected area. This was done 3 times a day. After just 2 applications she seemed to have less discomfort in eating, and by day 3 Poppy was eating a bit of hard food. On day 5 she had her check up with her Vet who said her mouth was now clean and healthy looking.”*

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