

# DESVEN

Active ingredient(s): Desvenlafaxine

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## Consumer Medicine Information

This leaflet provides important information about using DESVEN.

**You should also speak to your doctor or pharmacist if you would like further information or if you have any concerns or questions about using DESVEN.**

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### 1. Why am I using DESVEN?

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**DESVEN contains the active ingredient desvenlafaxine.**

It belongs to a class of medications called Serotonin-Noradrenaline Reuptake Inhibitors (SNRIs).

Serotonin and noradrenaline are chemical messengers that allow certain nerves in the brain to work. DESVEN extended release tablets increase the level of these two messengers. Experts think this is how it helps to restore your feeling of wellness.

DESVEN is used in the treatment and prevention of relapse of depression.

Depression can affect your whole body and may cause emotional and

physical symptoms such as feeling low in spirit, being unable to enjoy life, poor appetite or overeating, disturbed sleep, loss of sex drive, lack of energy and feeling guilty over nothing.

**Ask your doctor if you have any questions about why DESVEN has been prescribed for you.**

Your doctor may have prescribed it for another reason.

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### 2. What should I know before I use DESVEN?

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#### *Warnings*

**Do not use DESVEN if:**

1. You are allergic to desvenlafaxine, venlafaxine, or any of the ingredients listed at the end of this leaflet.
2. Always check the ingredients to make sure you can use this medicine.
3. You are taking other medications for depression known as monoamine oxidase inhibitors, even if you have stopped taking them, but have taken them within the last 14 days.