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The First Aid Companion For Dogs & Cats (Prevention Pets)



Synopsis

Is there an animal doctor in the house? Most likely, the answer is no. And when an accident or other emergency threatens your pet, every minute counts. Don't be unprepared! Open *The First-Aid Companion for Dogs and Cats* by Amy D. Shojai and learn:

- * Basic first-aid techniques, such as cleaning a wound, making a splint, and performing CPR-- step-by-step!
- * Which over-the-counter human medications can help-- or harm-- your dog or cat
- * What to keep in your pet's medicine chest (many essential items are probably in your house already!)
- * How to quickly pinpoint what's wrong with your pet, using the First-Aid Symptom Finder

Plus, you'll discover a comprehensive A-to-Z guide to more than 150 common-- and not-so-common-- injuries and conditions, including:

- * Abscesses (page 60)
- * Bites from Animals (page 90)
- * Car Accidents (page 117)
- * Choking (page 131)
- * Gunshot Wounds (page 224)
- * Heatstroke (page 237)
- * Hot Spots (page 245)
- * Jellyfish Stings (page 269)
- * Poisoning (page 311)
- * Snakebites (page 350)

Each at-a-glance entry tells you when to call the vet, which supplies or medications you'll need, what immediate action you should take, and what you should do as follow-up care. By knowing what to do in an emergency and then acting quickly and confidently to take the proper steps, you could save your pet's life. The next time medical help is not quickly available, reach for *The First-Aid Companion for Dogs and Cats*. It's a pet owner's second best friend.

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Customer Reviews

I have had a wonderful dog for six years and have learned a lot along the way. I have learned more

from this book than I learned in those six years. This book is so important for all pet owners. We need to be prepared to help our pets when they get minor illnesses or have serious medical problems. The book has more than 150 health care topics listed alphabetically. The book is quite easy to read, and by simply turning to a page you will know whether or not you need to call the vet immediately, later, or not at all. The list of components necessary for a good first aid kit is helpful as well. Also, the book gives a chart of human medicines that can and cannot be used for dogs and cats along with correct dosage. Even if you do not plan on reading the book all the way through, purchase it and tuck it away on a shelf, because you never know when you may need it!

Quick story: A few months ago I was driving and saw a dog running beside the road and when I was only a few feet from him, he was struck by a car. I rushed him to the vet hospital but sadly, he passed away. I went straight to the book store and picked up this book on pet first aid, learned about treating a pet who is going into shock and now keep an animal first aid kit, blanket and copy of this book in the trunk of my car. This was the only book I could find that addressed the issue of helping an animal who is struck by a car. It is such important information and I was thankful to find it.

Excellent book and good for quick reference. Has at home medicines that an animal can and cannot take. I would definitely recommend this for any animal lover or owner.

I got this book to better care for my adult and senior dogs. I love that the book not only focuses on First Aid but prevention as well as recommendations for when to call the vet. The injuries and illnesses section covers everything you can think of and provides lots of background information as well as treatment. My favorite feature is the recommended medicine chest as well as dosing.

Ms. Shojai has done a wonderful job in this book--with everything the layperson needs to know when something goes wrong with their four-footed companion. I've used this book several times and I'm happy to say it's been informative, easy to understand, and downright interesting. I highly recommend it.

Now *this* book is worth having, and giving, and buying! Easy languages, tells you whether it's really serious, or just "don't waste money on the vet just now". Help for the unsure and the sure, using household items, by experts! This book made me forget my previous lemon-purchase: one real gem out of two, could be worse :-). I really recommend it for everybody who wants to give their cat normal

everyday good care, without extravaganzas.

There is so much useful information in just this one volume. What's more, there is a symptom finder, allowing a quick overview of possible causes of given symptoms among dogs and cats. There are two tables of poison hazards, including one which tells what human medications should never be given to cats (although veterinarians advise that no human medications should ever be given to animals without checking with them). The animal conditions that can be helped by first aid range from life-threatening situations to such usually-minor things as constipation in cats. There are many helpful diagrams. One of them shows how to make a homemade Elizabethan collar and another one shows how to restrain a seriously-injured animal for the trip to the vet.

We had dogs bitten by a rattlesnake. I had a dog with an allergic reaction. What do you do? Sure, you can google up an answer, but it's nice to have this book on hand for quick reference. It is well written and you can actually just read it cover to cover. I learned a lot.

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