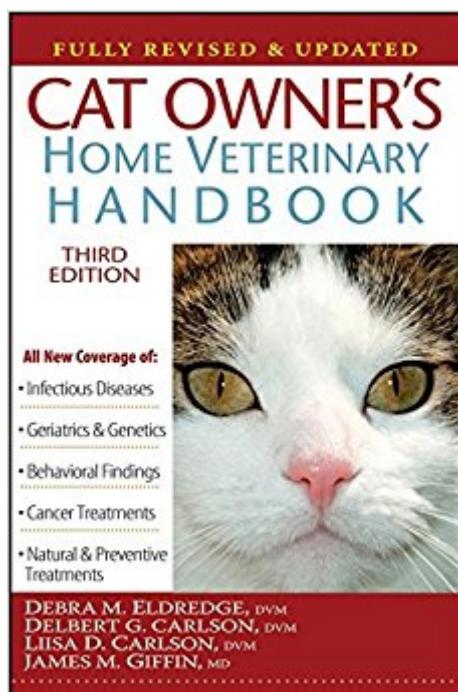


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The most comprehensive, essential reference for every cat owner, this easy-to-use, authoritative guide provides the vital information you need to take good care of your cat in all types of situations and in all ages and stages of her life. This fully revised and updated Third Edition covers common

feline problems and ailments in language you can understand. It includes current information on: Vaccine protocols Flea, tick, and heartworm preventives Nutrition and understanding cat food labels Newly recognized heart, muscle, and dental diseases Lower urinary tract disease, hip dysplasia, calicivirus, and many other conditions New drugs and surgical techniques Therapies using supplements, nutraceuticals, and holistic modalities

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I purchased this on Kindle expecting the complete text. However, in my expectations, the most important part, the symptom identifier, are not included! The book says they are on the inside cover and the inside cover, for whatever STUPID reason, isn't included. The book itself is very helpful. Shame they blew it up and wasted the book by excluding THE most important part (the reason I purchased the book to start with!).

This book should be a staple in any cat owner's home. The index is easy to use and makes diagnosis or research fast and easy. The book is written in very easy to understand terms and all of the pictures help identify or clarify some conditions. This book gives lots of good information on the treatment and diagnosis of some common conditions. Use the book wisely: if your cat has a very mild or moderate condition that you can safely treat, do so; if not, don't even try it and go to your vet immediately. Don't let this book replace the knowledge and valuable service provided by your

veterinarian, but do let it provide you with valuable information and ways to treat or help your fur-baby at home.

Many years ago I bought a veterinary book for dogs and it served as a wealth of information over 30 years caring for my 2 dogs throughout their lives. Now I have cats and wanted to be able to also have a wealth of information at my fingertips for emergencies (it seems emergencies always happen on weekends or after hours when the vet offices are closed or no emergency vet is available), basic first aid and home care (when it is safe to not see a vet). In life, I also wanted to be a veterinarian, because my connection with animals is so strong. Such as life does not always go as planned I did not fulfill my dream but still have a strong connection with animals and every now and then will foster a homeless kitten or nurse a sick kitten back to health. This book is not necessarily outdated, as it was published in 2008. I bought the hardback copy and am impressed with the quality of this book being printed on nice paper that is not thin, the print is dark and readable and there is a table of contents in the front and an index in back for quick reference. Like some reviewers have suggested there are pictures of sad, sick cats that are in black and white (my guess is that color photos would be greatly traumatic to view as the black and white versions are heartbreaking enough to view). The pictures, no matter how sad are necessary for properly knowing what illness your cat may have in an emergency situation and these are what makes the book even more valuable. In my experience, it is better to be prepared than not. If you think about it, don't most homes already have a first aid kit and if you have kids, you have supplies on hand for cuts, coughs, and other minor first aid emergencies - so why not do the same for your fur babies? After caring for both of my dogs from puppyhood (one bottle baby) till their old age I learned many things about emergencies and preparedness. Now that I have cats, I am also learning that cats are not as resilient as dogs are and at least being able to understand the basic first aid of cats gives me some comfort that if I ever needed to, I will know how to respond. *Note* In my photos I took the paper cover off the book, but it does arrive exactly as shown in the description pictures shows. I just don't like the paper cover because they never stay in place when the book is open.

As a vet tech and cat behaviorist..I found this book very educational and on point with what pet owners should know in regards to taking great care of their cat and supplying what they need to live a long life such as the correct nutrition, vaccinations, dental work, and so on. It also presents a lot of medical issues and emergencies that occur and how to pinpoint them along with what interventions to take if any. This book is a great buy for cat owners because it will give them peace of mind when

a real problem does show up. You can keep this on your shelf and reference it when you want to or just read it cover to cover. You can even do both. I loved this book and I know you will to.

Every cat owner should own this book. It will tell you what your allopathic (traditional) vet will tell you, in more detail. Every cat owner should also own the classic alternative or natural cat care books by Richard Pitcairn and homeopathic book by Don Hamilton, which has been my mainstay and has saved my cat's life. I had the original edition for years and I always get the new edition whenever they publish. I can look up my cat's symptoms and know whether I should go to emergency or whether it can wait. These books are invaluable.

One of those must have books for anyone with a cat. Every pet owner should have a veterinary book around for those questions that come up, yet don't seem bad enough to run to the vet. This is a pretty complete book that I use and have given to others. You do have to get past some sad pictures of sick cats, but better to avoid it and have it there should you need to see that photo, then to not have it there at all. (As an aside: Female cats are very susceptible to breast cancer. Check the underside of your cat regularly for odd bumps or rope like lumps. If detected early, it can save their life.)

Just got my book with one day shipping. It arrived on time and the book is amazing. I would recommend this to anyone who is a cat parent or looking to become one. The only unsavory item I have found so far is the recommendation of the synthetic vitamin Menadione as being part of your cat's dietary needs. Vitamin K is fine, but it's synthetic version is NOT. It can cause liver toxicity and no one needs that on their plate. In other words, the book is great, but cross referencing is always important!

Excellent book. I've changed my home entirely for the benefit of my cats. As a person living by myself, I would never have gotten anything like a first aid kit in case of an actual human emergency. But now that I feel like I have a life depending on me, I've used the book's advice and begun brushing my cat's teeth daily, feeding him high quality food and of course, using the useful list they had in the book to gather a first aid kit. I keep my floor spotless now, in case my cat tries to eat any bits off of it, especially string. I have a different perspective about how to be a cat owner, and how much I can do to help my little tabby live a long full life.

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