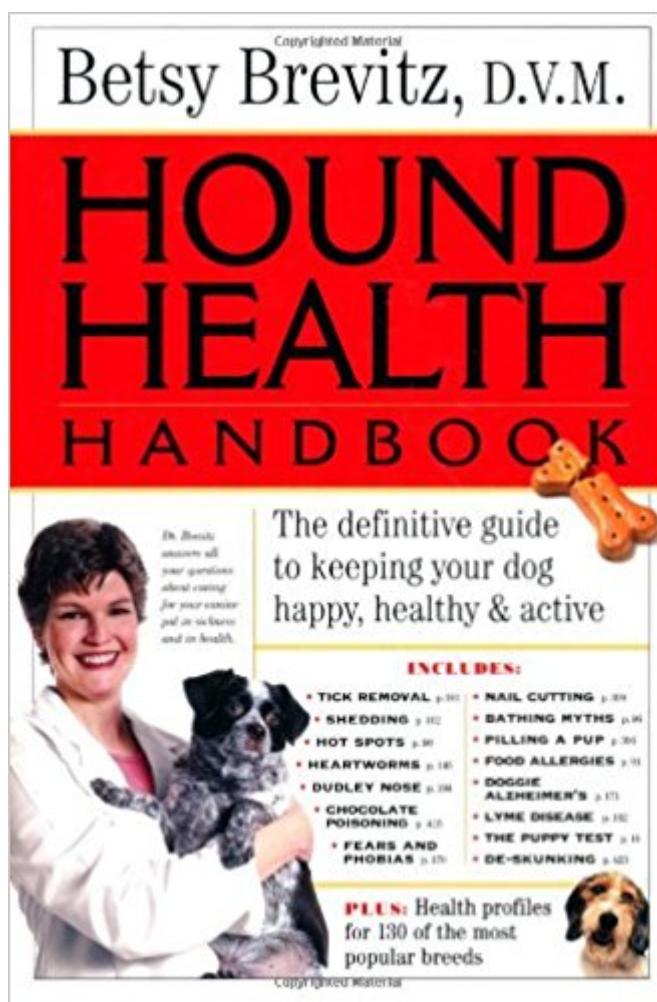


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Hound Health Handbook: The Definitive Guide To Keeping Your Dog Happy, Healthy & Active



Synopsis

America is going to the dogs. And, judging by the \$7 billion we spend each year on veterinary services, and the \$3 billion on prescription medicines, we will do anything to take care of our beloved pets. Now there's a bible that belongs in every dog owner's home--a clear, comprehensive, trustworthy guide that comes with the same pedigree as the What to Expect books, The Garden Primer, and The Wine Bible. Written by Betsy Brevitz, D.V.M., the resident veterinarian of the popular and award-winning Web site Urbanhound.com, Hound Health Handbook is the first truly readable book on dog health. Dr. Brevitz, a writer and editor before becoming a veterinarian, knows how to make complex issues simple, and how to present detailed information in a lively and authoritative way. Reading this book, with its hundreds of real-life Q&A's, is like joining a conversation between a smart and caring vet and a community of fellow dog lovers. Organized in four parts--Preventive Health Care, Common Canine Maladies, First Aid for Injuries and Emergencies, and Hound Health Resources--it covers everything from puppy vaccinations to caring for the senior dog; kennel cough to cancer; and even mental health issues such as separation anxiety and canine Alzheimer's disease. A health checklist for 120 popular breeds tells what hereditary problems to watch for, and the first aid and emergency section offers quick, clear instructions on what to do when something goes wrong. The 100-plus illustrations are both beautiful and informative, and include numerous how-to diagrams and guides.

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Betsy Brevitz, D.V.M., had a ten-year career as a magazine writer and editor before becoming a veterinarian. A 1998 graduate of the highly regarded Tufts University School of Veterinary Medicine,

she now lives and practices in northern New Jersey. This book originated with her "Ask the Vet" column for the acclaimed website Urbanhound.com.

Great companion book to my holistic animal reference guide. It's so nice to have a trusted guide to pet health.

I love this book! It's easy to understand and offers ALOT of information. I found out about it through "Animal Wellness Magazine" and decided to look it up on ... luckily they sell it!! The book is priced very reasonable for all the information it packs. I collect dog books and this is one that should be added to ANY dog owners collection. If you don't have a single dog book or one on dog health - then you should buy this one! The index makes it easy to find a topic quickly. Yappy Reading!

This handbook is fantastic. It's the go-to for EVERYTHING dog--not just health issues (bee stings, dog stings, seizures--all things my puppies had...) but also grooming, feeding, housebreaking, etc... I really like how it lays out clearly when to go to the vet immediately, when to just call the vet, and when to just take care of the issue at home. I'm buying a copy for my sister who just got a dog. It's my #1 doggie book--and I have almost a whole shelf of them.

Excellent book with lots of good information. Easy reading.

This book should be available to everyone who owns a pooch! Great advice for dog owners. Well written, beautifully presented, great price!

This book contains lots of helpful information for dog owners. Great suggestions and examples too.

If you are going to buy a home veterinary book, then my suggestion is: The Dog Owner's Home Veterinary Handbook by Debra M. Eldredge DVM, is a better reference book. The Hound Health Handbook doesn't compare.

This is one of the best and aptly name guidebooks offering credible advise on health, nutrition, common problems and prevention for hounds. Written by a writer-turned-vet, the book did exactly what the author had set out to do: "To save people from making unnecessary trips to the vet, and yet rush them in when their dogs really needed to be there". Having four dogs of my own, I could

recount ad nauseam first-hand horror encounters with vets who were either too commercial or inexperienced or mediocre or all of the above: there was this one vet who told me something as ridiculous as neutering my dog would give him testicular cancer (huh?!); another who misdiagnosed the onset of ringworm as a mere scratch on its paw (later developed into full-blown skin infection afflicting me in the process); another who wanted to jump into operating on my dog following a mere bout of vomiting (the book discussed at length many useful home remedies before resolving to show up at the vet's clinic!); and yet another who urged me to wait it out until my puppy had been through one or two heat cycles before getting her spayed for no apparent reason (the book brought to my attention this delay would increase the incidence of breast tumor by 28%, no different from a dog who was never spayed in her entire life!). More often than not, I have experienced vets who shoved me out of their consulting rooms in a little more than 5 minutes without first hearing out the history/symptoms in full or performed detailed enough physical examination before formalizing on some half-baked diagnosis. Call it a streak of bad luck but I have been through enough vets to know that the best thing you could do to your beloved pets is to equip yourself with as much knowledge as possible in both prevention - whipping up a wholesome diet, social and exercise program - and cure when the inevitable hits home - knowing how to tell the grass from the weed in your pursuit of a vet and the book does precisely that. I do have reservations over the author's advocacy over commercial pet food (fellow reviewers may wish to refer to Ann Martin's "Food Pets Die For: Shocking Facts About Pet Food" and its sequel, "Protect Your Pet: More Shocking Facts" and learn why vets unanimously endorse pet food and Dr. Pitcairn's Complete Guide to Natural Health for Dogs & Cats for recipes and holistic/alternative medicine). Having said that, this book is still highly recommended for its comprehensibility, readability and generosity of medical information from the viewpoint of an ethical and knowledgeable vet! A must-read!

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