Small Animal Surgery Textbook, 3e
Synopsis

The 3rd edition of this classic textbook continues to serve as a one-stop resource for authoritative information on all aspects of small animal surgery. Coverage includes basic procedures such as spays, castrations, and declaws, as well as more advanced surgeries that might be referred to specialists such as craniotomy, ventral slots, and lung lobectomy. Discussions of general surgical procedures include sterile technique, surgical instrumentation, suturing, preoperative care, and antibiotic use. Key sections provide clinically relevant coverage of soft tissue surgery, orthopedic surgery, and neurosurgery. Over 1500 full color illustrations provide exceptionally clear representations of anatomy and currently accepted surgical techniques, including approaches and closure. Over 600 full color photographs and radiographs offer clear images of specific disorders, diseases, and procedures. Information on the most efficient and cost-saving sterilization techniques including scrubless and waterless preparation solutions. General considerations and clinically relevant pathophysiology sections provide practical information for case management. Step-by-step instructions for surgical techniques are presented in italicized blue type for quick and easy reference. Special icons identify advanced procedures that should be referred to an experienced surgeon or specialist. Color-coded tables and boxes call attention to specific data, offering at-a-glance access to key information such as drug dosages, clinical signs, and analgesic protocols. Anesthesia Protocols provide quick and easy access to recommendations for anesthetizing animals with particular diseases or disorders. A new chapter on Fundamentals of Physical Rehabilitation details the basics of physical rehabilitation for practitioners who want to integrate physical therapy into practice. A new chapter on Principles of Minimally Invasive Surgery that describes the principles of performing surgery with the least instrumentation possible, including instrument selection and care and basic techniques. A new chapter on Surgery of the Eye that discusses diseases and disorders of the eye, their medical management, and corrective surgical procedures. Expanded coverage of perioperative multimodal analgesic therapy. Updated coverage of arthroscopy, canine elbow dysplasia, joint replacement, and management of osteoarthritis. The latest information on state-of-the-art radiologic techniques.

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Before my first spay, I watched the demonstration video a few times, read over my spay manual a few times....but reading the procedure over in Fossum upped my confidence in remembering each step. I've used this book to clarify certain procedures mentioned in my classes, and it has helped me so much conceptually. The illustrations are great and provide a great model to accompany the instructions. It's a standard for any vet student!

A must have for any practitioner. The first edition was great, replacing my 2 volume Slatter's, the second edition is even better! Other authors should learn from this reference, provide the information needed and include terrific pictures and drawings!

I purchased this book since it was required for surgery coursed. At first glance you will think the book is great. The book is very large with lots of colorful illustrations. However once you begin reading procedures and referring to diagrams you learn that this book seems simplified. The illustrations that are supposed to describe procedures often are not adequately labeled. I found myself referring to my anatomy texts extensively. Also the descriptions of the procedures themselves are not always thorough. I am often left with questions that I need to research elsewhere.

I am in the final stages of specializing in small animal surgery. One of our prescribed text books is Slatter, an excellent reference with lots of information for you to get lost in, not always telling you what the method of choice is for a particular procedure. Fossum is in my opinion a good summary of Slatter, leaving out all the irrelevant stuff. Fossum is like a recipe book for surgery, guiding you step-by-step with good quality illustrations through the majority of procedures even a specialist has
to do on a daily basis. This book is a must for every veterinarian that is involved in any aspect of small animal surgery.

Great Book!! Very useful to the practicing small animal vet for daily reference. The pictures and explanations of procedures are the easiest to understand that I have ever seen.

I would dare say that this is the best book ever written about veterinary soft tissue surgery. The text is amazing, pictures and drawing are absolutely fantastic and extremely elucidative. It's a most have for any veterinarian or veterinary student.

This book contains excellent descriptions of most procedures required in general practice. Good diagrams and has a better orthopaedic section than other texts. Should be in library of all general practices.

It is an excellent book, I can find everything easily whatever I look for. Definitions of the surgical approach, manipulations and treatment are easy and the pictures are perfect. Drug dosages, anaesthetic managements according to the animal status is easy to handle. The tables and figures are very useful and practical. I recommend to all my colleagues who are interested in surgery.

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