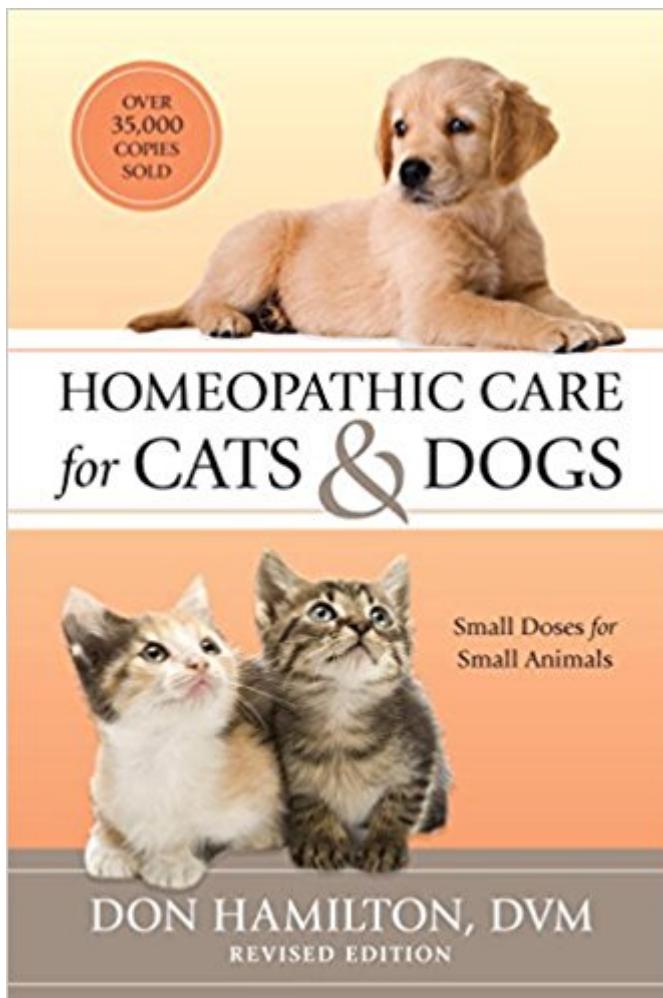


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# Homeopathic Care For Cats And Dogs, Revised Edition: Small Doses For Small Animals



## Synopsis

Most people understand homeopathy as a treatment for people, but as this book shows, our four-legged friends can benefit from it as well. First published in 1999, *Homeopathic Care for Cats and Dogs* quickly became a bestseller and an important resource for anyone looking for a more organic approach to caring for their cats and dogs. Using accessible language, author Don Hamilton gives readers an authoritative overview of animal homeopathy, covering history, treatment principles, homeopathic disease theory, and simple methods for using homeopathic remedies. *Homeopathic Care for Cats and Dogs* offers expert guidance on home care and diet, how to obtain the information needed to choose a homeopathic remedy, how to dose remedies, how to choose the potency, and when to repeat remedies if necessary. The book lists organ systems by chapter, providing concise descriptions of symptoms, including how to evaluate patients' illnesses and when to seek veterinary care. Remedy and supplement suggestions follow disease descriptions. Each section contains the principal remedies needed for treatment. The book ends with a *materia medica*, which gives more comprehensive remedy information for each medicine listed in the book. This updated edition contains a new chapter on the human-animal relationship, timely information on vaccines, as well as new remedy information in every chapter.

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"Dr. Don Hamilton is one of the most experienced, creative, and open-minded homeopaths for animals in this country. He brings his years of veterinary practice and perceptive understanding of

homeopathy to this book to expand your knowledge and to help the animals in your life. We are fortunate that he is sharing his wisdom. This book should be added to any animal lover's bookshelf." •Cheryl Schwartz, DVM, San Francisco Veterinary Specialists, and author of *Four Paws, Five Directions: A Guide to Chinese Medicine for Cats and Dogs*"Dr. Hamilton offers a clear, comprehensive, solid foundation in veterinary homeopathy that allows it to be accessible to animal guardians. It is an extremely valuable contribution to the field of veterinary homeopathy."

•Allen Schoen, DVM, MS, author of *Love, Miracles, and Animal Healing* and coauthor of *Complementary and Alternative Veterinary Medicine: Principles and Practice*"This wonderful, compassionate book convinced me to use only veterinarians who use only homeopathy. Read it."

•Jeffrey Moussaieff Masson, author of *Dogs Never Lie About Love* and coauthor of *When Elephants Weep: The Emotional Lives of Animals*"Homeopathic Care for Cats & Dogs: Small Doses for Small Animals appears in a revised edition updating basic treatments and guidance for caring for pets, and comes from a vet who has practiced for over thirty years. Chapters provide overviews of different systems, from digestive to eyes, and discuss common ailments and their homeopathic options. General collections will find this a popular consumer pick."

•Midwest Book Review"For those of you who are not up-to-date on homeopathic care, you will find all kinds of wonderful things in this book" The information is qualitative and quantitative.

•Misc. Ramblings

Renowned veterinary homeopath Dr. Don Hamilton lectures to veterinarians in the United States and abroad on advanced veterinary homeopathy. He lives on a small farm in rural Northern New Mexico.

Homeopathic Care for Cats and Dogs is encyclopedic in scope, clearly written and beautifully organized. Dr. Hamilton begins with a succinct overview of the history of homeopathy, from its origins in 18th century Germany through its rise, fall and resurgence in 20th century America. He outlines the principles and philosophy underlying homeopathic treatment, and explains its basic concepts in accessible language anyone can understand. Dr. Hamilton examines the nature of health, disease and cure, drawing a contrast between "conventional" or allopathic medicine, and homeopathy. He explains that while allopathic medicine relies upon a theoretical approach that equates symptoms with the disease itself, homeopathy utilizes an empirical method of careful observation of each individual patient. This authoritative book provides lucid, detailed advice for using homeopathic medicine to help your companion animals at home, along with clear guidelines

for when to seek professional help. Specific information is provided on taking the case, choosing and administering the remedy, and evaluating progress. Chapters on organ systems (skin and ears, digestive system, respiratory system, etc.) include suggestions for remedies appropriate to various conditions, as well as a helpful summary recapping the most important concepts. One chapter explores the complex issue of vaccination, and another examines the philosophical and psychological reasons we keep companion animals. Finally, the book incorporates an excellent *materia medica* describing commonly used homeopathic medicines. Dr. Don Hamilton brings to his veterinary practice and to this luminous book an open-minded, compassionate, holistic perspective. The book incorporates his comprehensive understanding of both conventional Western veterinary medicine and classical homeopathic healing, gleaned from more than thirty years of practice. I have found this book to be a treasure-trove of useful and fascinating information, and can recommend it without reservation to anyone looking for a better way to help your animal friends.

I admit it. I'm an information junkie. The more content, the better. This book measures up on quality AND quantity. Like a home study course in a book, this guide really helps you learn about homeopathy for your small animal friends. I have been using homeopathic remedies for myself and my pets for years now, and this book is an excellent addition to my library of references. Obviously, you will want to consult with a professional for serious cases, but there are many situations when an educated lay person can use homeopathy to advantage. Up until I got this book, I was using references that related to human applications, and I am grateful to now have such a detailed book on applications for pets. More people are realizing that subtle energy medicine treats causes, not symptoms, and thus gives great results. While I use herbs and supplements as well, homeopathy seems to me to be the purest and least-likely-to-have-side-effects method when used properly. I highly recommend this book to anyone who wants to understand the right way to use homeopathy for a dog or cat.

This is really a helpful book in helping with many of the every day problems in raising our wonderful pets. It is so empowering to know you can handle little problems. The only addition I would love to see is a small repertory with rubrics for pet problems. But the amount of information is astounding! Also, the history and background on homeopathy is one of the best I have ever read and can really help non-homeopaths understand what this marvelous healing art and science is about! (And I have at least a hundred Homeopathy books!) Great job, Dr. Hamilton! Our pets will live longer and healthier lives because you are sharing this information!

This is an excellent book for pet owners who are interested in homeopathy. One part I didn't agree with is the concept of increasing the number of pellets, according to the size of your pet. In homeopathy, 1 pellet is the same as 2,3, or even 100. Similar to lighting one match or 10 simultaneously, it's the same amount of fire. Also the amount of liquid dosing, does not matter either. The dosing chapter is too complicated, as well as the Nature of Cure chapter seems very confusing. Other than that, the book was very informative and the author seems very knowledgeable.

We were looking for homeopathic options for an FIV+ cat with overgrooming issues. Specifically we were looking for information on using Chinese and Japanese mushrooms such as shiitake, etc. to fight the disease as well as bovine lactoferrin. I did not find what I was looking for but the book will be useful for a myriad of other situations we face. Our interest is very narrow but the health and vitality of our cats is not. This is an excellent handbook.

This book is pretty helpful with my dogs. The only drawback is that you really need to know more about homeopathic remedies than this book offers in order to use them effectively and wisely; (all homeopathic remedy brands are not created equal) and many remedies recommended are not available in local stores. The author also continuously reminds the reader to seek help from a vet (as in ... you can try this stuff but you may just want to go to a vet.)

This book was so helpful to me in learning the basics of pet homeopathic medicine. Now I see that some quirky things are not normal, and are actually signs of disease. Easy to read!

This was actually a replacement for a book I loaned out but was never returned. This was very well recommended to me as I learned about homeopathics for my dogs and I would definitely recommend to others that are wanting to learn as well. Very easy to follow/understand.

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