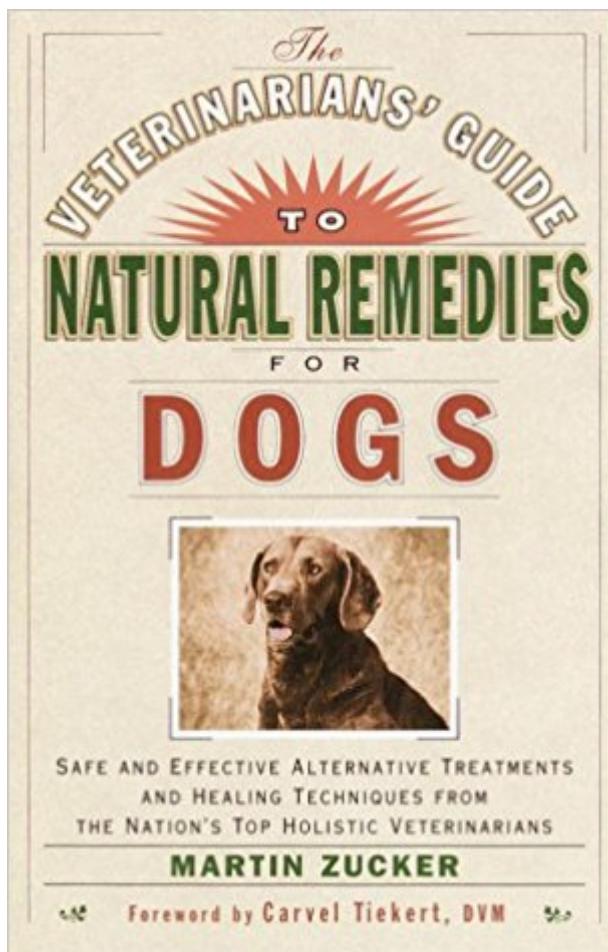


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# Veterinarians Guide To Natural Remedies For Dogs: Safe And Effective Alternative Treatments And Healing Techniques From The Nations Top Holistic Veterinarians



## **Synopsis**

The world of veterinary medicine is changing. People are realizing that if alternative medicine is better for them, it's better for their pets, too. Dogs are visiting acupuncturists, chiropractic doctors, and homeopaths. Still, many dog owners are unaware that such simple measures as changing their pet's diet and using vitamins, herbs, and other natural cures can help prevent or heal ailments ranging from excessive scratching to depression to a host of serious diseases. The Veterinarians' Guide to Natural Remedies for Dogs is both an introduction and a guide to the vast world of natural healing methods, treatments, and foods now available for dogs. Author Martin Zucker offers advice from dozens of holistic practitioners and licensed veterinarians, who share their recipes, insights, and "prescriptions." Here dog owners will find information on everything from nutritional supplements to massage therapy, as well as how these treatments can be used alone or in conjunction with traditional medications and surgical techniques.

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## **Customer Reviews**

Martin Zucker has interviewed over thirty holistic vets for this book. They share which supplements, dietary changes, herbs, homeopathic remedies, or flower essences they have found to be effective for conditions ranging from arthritis and cancer to parasites and yeast infections. If you've been into natural rearing for a while, few of the suggestions will be new to you, but the book is nonetheless a nice resource. In addition to the A-Z index of canine health problems and suggested natural remedies, there are brief chapters introducing various holistic therapies (herbs, nutritional supplements, homeopathic remedies, flower essences, acupuncture, chiropractic, and massage

techniques), plus chapters on vaccinations/titers and nutrition. However, while it's great that the holistic vets interviewed for this book are advocating fresh food diets, the information presented in the chapter on homemade meals is not sufficient to enable anyone to prepare a balanced homemade diet for their dog(s). For properly balanced fresh food diet plans, check out books by Billinghurst, Volhard, or Pitcairn. I also have to disagree with the section on feeding bones -- in my experience with natural dog rearing and as an animal nutrition consultant I have found that softer, raw bones such as chicken necks or backs that are consumed in their entirety are far safer than the big, hard beef bones recommended in the book.

I found this book when I was desperate to help my dog who was recently diagnosed with a heart murmur. This book has been an incredible resource for me. I love how all the information on recommended herbs, diets, etc. are backed up with a professional's name and phone number (many times). I understand that there is a time for conventional medicine but I have always been inclined to go the "alternative or natural" way. After reading this book, I am extremely happy to say that my dog is doing incredible and has barely a trace of a heart murmur left. My vet even asked me what I had done between 6 month doctor visits for such drastic results. If anyone cares about their pet/best friend as I do, this book will hold the supreme honor on your bookshelf. Please share this information with others.

This book covers nutrition, supplements, herbs, homeopathy, flower essences, acupuncture, chiropractic, massage, vaccines, and a list of health problems and how to treat them. I'm not as thrilled with this book as some other readers were. It is potentially useful, but not essential. Instead, I would recommend "New Choices in Natural Healing for Dogs & Cats" and "The Nature of Animal Healing". They cover the same information but more in depth. What I did find interesting was seeing how each veterinarian had a different treatment plan for a particular disease. While one would treat arthritis with goat's whey, another suggested Chinese herbs. Each vet found success in his or her method, and you can combine methods to suit the needs of your pet.

This wonderful book change my life and my new puppy's life for the best. I've checked other documents on this subject before but I couldn't bring myself to spend the money to buy any of them. When I went to the store to look at the book, it was so clear and easy to read. I glanced at the chapter on allergies to compare what I had seen in other books and it was so complete. A whole chapter as opposed to a paragraph or a page in the others. It's full of informations, products and

phone numbers, where to find a holistic vet. in your area, etc. ect. Every pet owner in the world should read this book.

A must have reference for every dog owner. Zucker compiles recommendations from over 30 of the top holistic veterinarians from across the country in this two part book. Part I covers the foundation of good health, diet and nutrition. In addition the basics on alternative modalities, supplements and remedies are discussed. Part II is organized in an A to Z list of common problems -- from arthritis to yeast infections. Each section contains recommendations and information from a number of holistic vets. This format gives you the opportunity to learn about several different treatment options and decide what's best for your dog's individual situation.

One of my pugs has a collapsing trachea, which out of the blue turned very bad last November. She was going to the vets every 3 days and was on 4 different medications. Still she was coughing, gagging and being lost her spunk. We even took her to a Veterinary College. Short of a very intrusive operation there was nothing more to be done. I ordered this book, hoping to get her strong to face the surgery. Well the part on food allergies helped her.. and she has been med free since May. It is a good book to have on hand if you want to make sure you have everything you can to help your dog.

This book is a must for anyone who is serious about giving their dogs health and longevity. This book takes you from A to Z on nutrition, diseases, vaccinations and anything else you can think of. This is written by a group of holistic vets each contributing their opinion on the different subjects covered in the book. This vast range of opinions allows the reader a multitude of choices on how to care for their dog. Happy reading!

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