



Laparoscopic Bitch Spays

How does it work?

Similar to human surgeries, there are many advantages in performing surgery laparoscopically as it is a less invasive procedure. Specialised instruments and a camera are used through tiny incisions in the body wall to allow the surgeon to visualise the ovaries on a screen to remove them. Cautery is used to stop blood flow to the ovary and scissors can then cut the ovary ligament. The small incisions are closed with soluble stitches under the skin and sealed with tissue glue.

Advantages compared to traditional bitch spays:

Less pain after surgery

Smaller incisions

Faster recovery/healing time (3 days)

No external stitches to chew (no need for a buster collar in most cases)

Fewer post-operative complications

Clearer view and magnification for the surgeon

How long does the operation take?

Surgical time is usually around 1 hour, but will depend on the individual patient. In the majority of cases discharge is the same day.

Pain relief

Your pet will have been given a 24hour pain relief injection while in with us. As the wounds are so small additional pain medication isn't usually necessary.