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"This book provides ample food for thought for anyone involved in the animal sector to engage in reflection of their views by clearly working through important ethical questions commonly encountered in companion animal interaction and medicine in particular. It would make a valuable contribution to any practising veterinarian's library, and I would even suggest it to be essential reading for many." (Veterinary Record 2016)

From the Back Cover

Companion Animal Ethics explores important ethical questions and problems that arise when humans keep animals as companions. This context raises unique questions, because unlike most forms of animal use, we can be so close to the animals that we mistake our needs for theirs.

The authors draw on a wide range of disciplines including history, psychology, ethical and political theory, and the veterinary, behavioural and social sciences to underpin their arguments. In addition, international experts are involved in co-authoring specific chapters to ensure that the book is supported by the latest scientific findings.

Provocative and timely, *Companion Animal Ethics* offers illuminating insights into the ethical responsibilities and dilemmas raised by keeping animals as companions. It is important reading for those studying and practicing animal science and veterinary medicine, those working in animal ethics and welfare, and is of interest to anyone who lives with an animal companion.

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