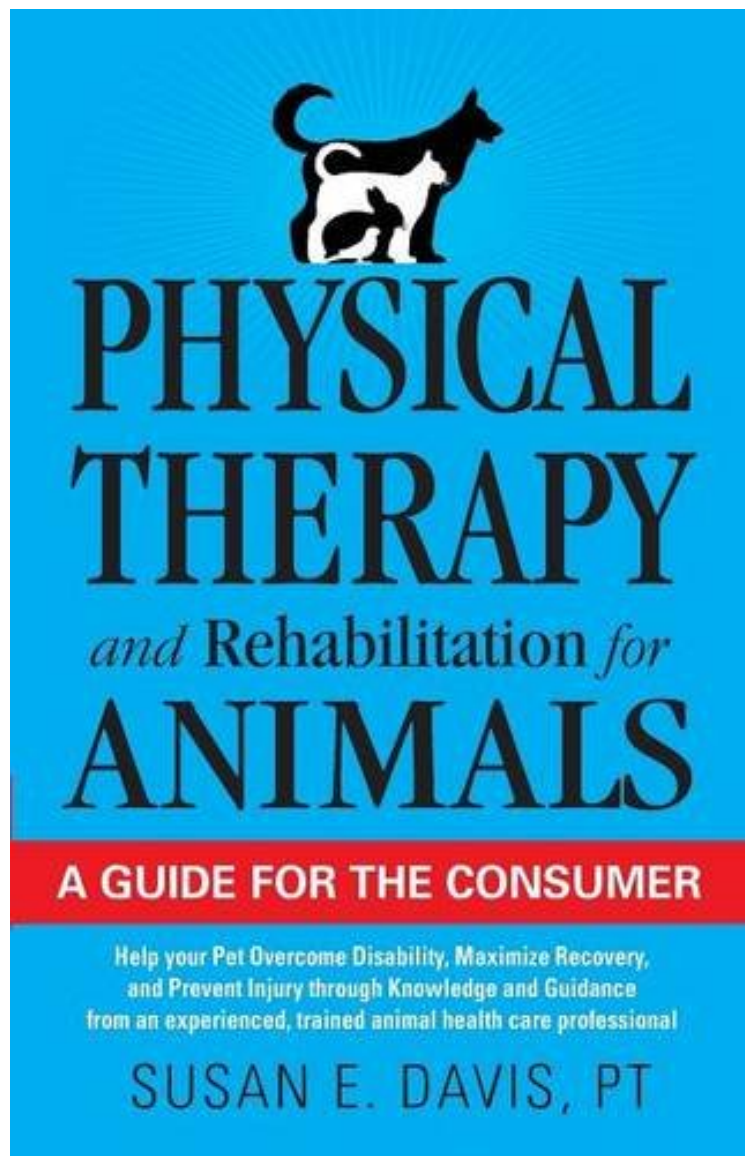


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Physical Therapy and Rehabilitation for Animals: A Guide for the Consumer is the essential guide to help pet owners navigate the veterinary physical therapy and rehabilitation field throughout the animal's lifespan. It will assist you in: how to find a qualified therapist, what to expect on the initial visit, explaining the process of goal setting and treatment intervention plans. It offers descriptions of physical modalities, therapeutic exercises, and a wide variety of conditions affecting the pet in the areas of orthopedics, neurology, oncology, metabolic illness, and congenital deformities. This book also addresses interesting topics such as aging pets/geriatrics, arthritis, injury prevention, stem cell procedures, Reiki, braces and splints, wheeled carts and artificial limbs. Included are numerous patient case studies and anecdotal stories covering over five animal species.

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