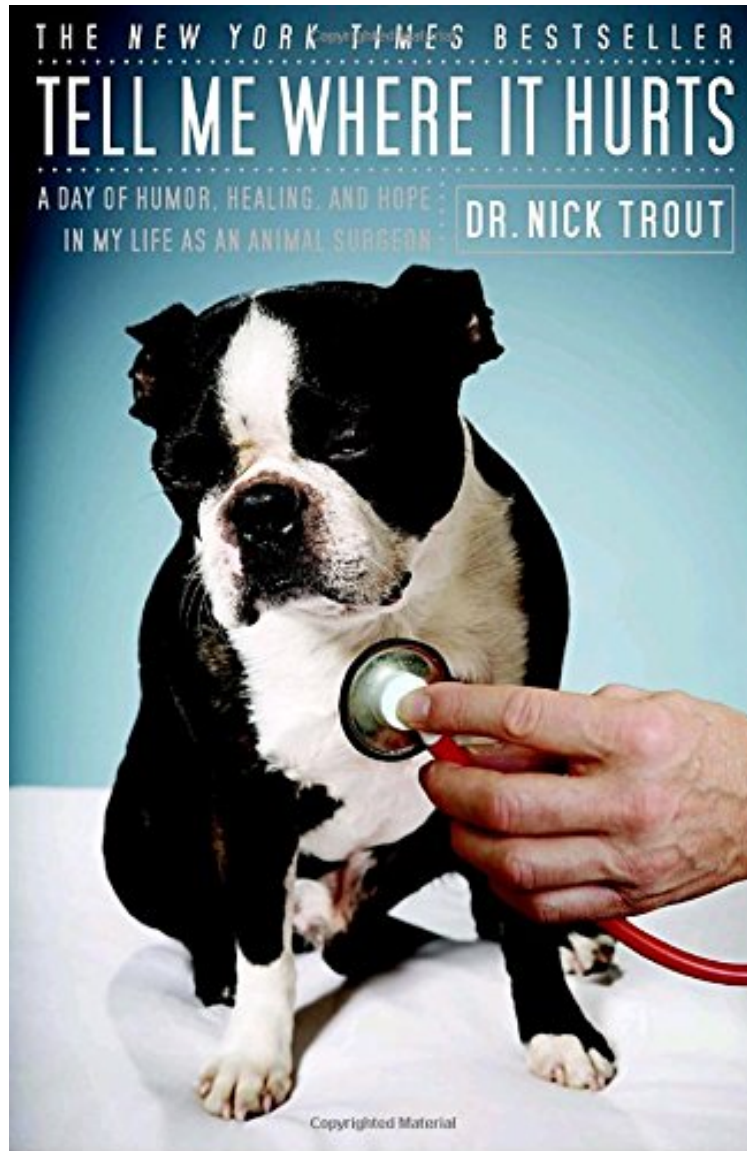


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**Nick Trout : Tell Me Where It Hurts: A Day of Humor, Healing, and Hope in My Life as an Animal Surgeon** before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Tell Me Where It Hurts: A Day of Humor, Healing, and Hope in My Life as an Animal Surgeon:

29 of 29 people found the following review helpful. Too many tangents, not enough pets  
By Annie GI liked this book. I didn't love it. The author (and reviewers) continually invokes the name and justified fame of James Herriott, so I dared hope for a similar style: Herriott's books are almost wholly story, with a bit of reflection, whereas this seemed to have reverse proportions. I got tired of, and honestly bored with, all the ruminating, moralizing, defense of his profession, and desperate protestations of affection for various animals and people. I'd have preferred for Dr. Trout to primarily let the tales themselves convey these things. In 25 years of practice, one would've thought there'd be enough memorable pets to fill these 285 pages with the humor and pathos I did see shining in the recollections salted in amongst the ponderings.  
2 of 2 people found the following review helpful. he is a good writer. I walk everyday in the park with ...  
By Thelma spinelli. This book is educational about what we can expect of the veterinarians, is very amusing, I laugh and cry. there's a fire, how strange it was for him to see so many dogs hooked up to bags of intravenous fluids, people evacuating sick animals, tv crew etc. So many stories, he is a good writer. I walk everyday in the park with two dogs, one belongs to a friend, my dog is in stroller, ha, ha, ha, when I was living in Florida was too hot, and he refused to walk, now in Colorado I can't take him out of the stroller, he does his business and jumped back, the things we do for love, to see the kid's faces when they see him in stroller it is worthy. people asking me if I let them to take a picture, I had conversations because of him, dog's are angels in this earth in different forms, my help me heal the loss of my husband. like this book a lot, Thelma.  
1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. It is a sweet, tender and lovely story  
By Lucas Rivera-Lanausse The book presents the relationship between the vet, the animals and the owners in a different perspective. The bond of the owner and the pet, why is so powerful and sometimes the hard decisions involved in that relationship. I am surprised how the author is capable to show how far a vet is committed for his animal. In the book I had Joy, courage, sometimes I cried and sometimes I laughed. But the best part is the final chapter. I am very happy to have the opportunity to read this book.

From the front lines of modern medicine, *Tell Me Where It Hurts* is a fascinating insider portrait of a veterinarian, his furry patients, and the blend of old-fashioned instincts and cutting-edge technology that defines pet care in the twenty-first century. For anyone who's ever wondered what goes on behind the scenes at your veterinarian's office, *Tell Me Where It Hurts* offers a vicarious journey through twenty-four intimate, eye-opening, heartrending hours at the premier Angell Animal Medical Center in Boston. You'll learn about the amazing progress of modern animal medicine, where organ transplants, joint replacements, and state-of-the-art cancer treatments have become more and more common. With these technological advances come controversies and complexities that Dr. Trout thoughtfully explores, such as how long (and at what cost) treatments should be given, how the Internet has changed pet care, and the rise in cosmetic surgery. You'll also be inspired by the heartwarming stories of struggle and survival filling these pages. With a wry and winning tone, Dr. Trout offers up hilarious and delightful anecdotes about cuddly (or not-so-cuddly) pets and their variously zany, desperate, and demanding owners. In total, *Tell Me Where It Hurts* offers a fascinating portrait of the comedy and drama, complexities and rewards involved with loving and healing animals. Part ER, part Dog Whisperer, and part House, this heartfelt and candid book shows that while the technology has changed since James Herriot's day, the humanity and compassion remains unchanged. If you've ever had a pet or special place in your heart for furry friends, Dr. Trout's irresistible book is for you.

From Publishers Weekly This is the perfect gift for anyone considering becoming a veterinarian. Trout, a staff surgeon at Boston's Angell Animal Medical Center, has exactly the traits that any pet owner would wish to find in a vet: he's smart, sensitive, experienced, empathic and has an excellent sense of humor. He also happens to be an excellent writer, and his personality suffuses the many stories sifted from recollections of thousands of animal encounters during his 25 years of practice and compressed in this account into one day. Trout shows how the daily life of a veterinarian requires the ability to be a social worker, a psychologist, a grief counselor, mentor, carpenter, plumber, cosmetologist, athletic coach, magician, grim reaper, and occasionally, guardian angel. And in some of the more heart-rending stories, such as that of an older widowed man dealing with the potential loss of his shepherd companion, Sage, Trout shows his sensitivity to the fact that in each case, the rewards and strength of the bonds with the animals in their lives proved irresistible, irrepressible, and more than worth the risk. (Mar. 11) Copyright © Reed Business Information, a division of Reed Elsevier Inc. All rights reserved.  
From Booklist Far from the rustic environs of James Herriot's Yorkshire Dales comes an equally heartwarming, yet high-tech, memoir of a veterinarian. Trout is a staff surgeon at a large veterinary practice in Boston and writes with equal facility of the clinical side of animal surgery and the emotional side of the human bond with animals. Couching his stories as a 24-hour "day in the life of," the author has squeezed his reminiscences into a single day to capture "the pace, the rush, and the intensity of all that is new in twenty-first-century veterinary medicine." As he moves from the 2:00 a.m. emergency surgery on a dog with a twisted bowel to an outwardly male boxer with an undescended testicle and an infected uterus, or euthanizes an old Labrador retriever, Trout looks back on earlier cases, muses on such subjects as the ethics of euthanasia and the costs of modern veterinary procedures, and wonders at the different ways the love shared between owner and animal is expressed. This is an addictively readable chronicle of what it means to be a veterinarian today. --Nancy Bent "Fabulous . . . The best

veterinary book that's been written since *All Creatures Great and Small*.” —Oregonian