



The Mewes Vets
Treating pets as friends

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Acupuncture at The Mewes Vets can help your pet

What is acupuncture?

Acupuncture is a traditional Chinese healing therapy, involving placing needles in specific locations on the body to treat health problems. It has since evolved into a more scientific Western approach, which is the form of acupuncture treatment you will find at The Mewes Vets. Your pet can also benefit from our laser acupuncture service, which helps in the same way, but simply avoids the use of needles.

How can acupuncture help my pet?

If your pet has chronic pain, acupuncture can help them on the road to recovery. We see many cases of arthritis, but muscle strains, pain related to internal diseases and spine problems can also be helped with acupuncture. Nerve damage and poor wound healing has also been shown to benefit from the treatment.

What are the benefits of choosing acupuncture over medicinal methods?

Before committing your pet to medication for a long time, it's worth considering acupuncture. Acupuncture could help your pet's problem and, in some cases, stop the need for long-term medication.

Will it hurt my pet?

Most pets treated by Angie now receive laser acupuncture. This uses a device which produces a fine laser light whose energy can be directed at the traditional acupuncture points, stimulating them as effectively as needles. Laser acupuncture is painless, and extremely well tolerated by pets.

Occasionally Angie may choose to use a needle as well as laser stimulation for a specific pet. Acupuncture needles are much smaller than needles that we might use for injections or other purposes in practice. They are also placed very specifically. Angie will always make sure that your pet is not in any pain. We generally find that



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lots of pets find the treatment very relaxing and some even fall asleep!

How often will my pet need to be treated?

In most cases, your companion will need to come and see us once a week for four to six weeks. Usually after two sessions Angie can fully assess how the acupuncture is helping your pet and will discuss with you the best plan for the future. However, all animals respond differently and we have seen favourable results after just one session too.

What do the acupuncture sessions involve?

Firstly, your pet will receive a thorough physical examination to make sure that they are suitable for treatment. Angie will then help your pet feel calm and comfortable, before selecting the specific places to treat, to help with their particular ailment.

Who will treat my pet?

Angie Gill is our Acupuncturist here at The Mewes Vets. We are very proud to have Angie, as she is one of the only vets in the UK certified with The International Veterinary Acupuncture Society. She also completed training in Laser Acupuncture and Low Level Laser Treatment, including Pulse Controlled Laser Acupuncture. So whether you want traditional acupuncture or laser technology acupuncture for your pet, you can be sure that they're in experienced and expert hands.

How can I book my appointment?

You can book an appointment for acupuncture treatment for your pet by ringing our friendly team on 01444 456886.



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