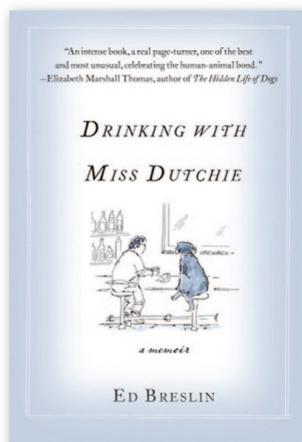




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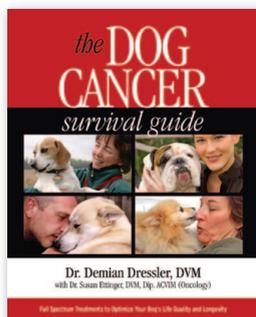


Drinking With Miss Dutchie

By Ed Breslin
(Thomas Dunne Books; 2011)

In this heartfelt, moving memoir, Ed Breslin, a former editor, publisher, and senior vice president of HarperCollins, recounts his time spent with his most faithful companion—a black Lab named Miss Dutchie. Breslin captures the depth of communion and companionship some of us are

lucky enough to experience with our dogs. Throughout her lifetime, Miss Dutchie managed to be both a teacher and a steady friend to Breslin, even during his battles with clinical depression and addiction. Breslin poignantly illustrates the impact that our canine companions can have on us and how truly fortunate we are to have them by our side. Even in Breslin's darkest moments, Dutchie was steadfast in her devotion, and ultimately, she showed him the true joy that can be wrung from life.—GM

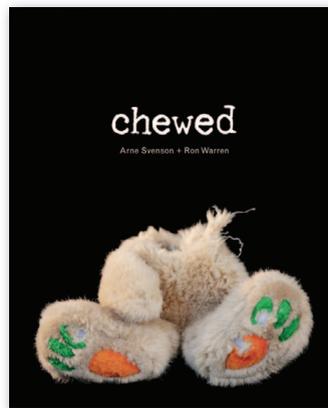


The Dog Cancer Survival Guide

By Dr. Demian Dressler, with Dr. Susan Ettinger
(Maui Media; 2011)

Caring for a dog with cancer can be overwhelming. Is surgery the best option? What about chemotherapy? Or alternative care? At this troubling

time, having *The Dog Cancer Survival Guide* by your side is like having both a knowledgeable and a caring friend beside you. Written in plain English for the layperson, this comprehensive book provides expert advice on the entire spectrum of cancer in dogs. It offers the latest research on everything from possible causes such as carcinogens in the air and soil, to the role of free radicals and antioxidants. Importantly, for the health of your dog and for your own peace of mind, *The Dog Cancer Survival Guide* gives you a down-to-earth appraisal of treatments that have been proven to work. This includes a realistic evaluation of conventional methods such as surgery, chemotherapy, and radiation to alternative methods such as plant-based nutraceuticals. It includes a thorough discussion of the major cancers found in dogs as well as the main chemotherapy drugs, so you can better understand what you and your beloved pet are facing. Significantly, *The Dog Cancer Survival Guide* shows you how to care for yourself so you can face tough decisions with a clear mind and a steady heart. This valuable and compassionate guide is a must-have for anyone caring for a dog with cancer.—LJ



Chewed

By Arne Svenson and Ron Warren
(Ideal World Books; 2011)

While some might interpret the photographs of mutilated chew-toys as a violent representation of an animal's baser instinct, many others will see something deeper: love—destructive love, per-

haps, but love nonetheless. Each of the toy-cadavers in *Chewed* represent the infatuation and adoration lavished upon these playthings transforming into something quite other than the cheerful-looking toy they began as. Photographer Arne Svenson, and Ron Warren, authors of *Sock Monkeys* (200 out of 1,863), brilliantly characterize each dog's undying devotion for their once intact playthings, an enthusiasm evidenced by the stray hairs and random teeth marks found on each stuffie, one-legged duck, and now headless bear. The formal photography elevates these transfigured companions into a cheeky questioning of beauty and attachment and even what qualifies as art. Among the famous contributors penning accompanying short stories inspired by the photographs are Augusten Burroughs and Todd Oldham. Highlight: the "Chewed Classifieds." Talk about looking for love in all the wrong places...—SL