

Manlius Veterinary Hospital

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Sarabi did great for his neuter today and will need special care to make sure he has a full and uneventful recovery.

Anesthesia: Due to anesthesia, you may notice that Sarabi is a little groggy for the next 12-24 hours. Please make sure he is kept somewhere that he won't fall or hurt himself until the anesthesia is fully out of his system. He had a tube placed in his trachea for anesthesia, also. You may notice a slight cough for the next few days.

Diet: Only feed Sarabi about half of his normal diet tonight. If he eats it and does not vomit within an hour you can give the other half. Please also limit water initially. Vomiting after eating or drinking too much is not uncommon after being fasted or after anesthesia. You may need to cut back or adjust the amount of food you give because his metabolism may decrease without the influence of hormones (will take about 6 weeks for the testosterone to get out of his system) and we don't want him becoming overweight. You may resume his normal feeding tomorrow morning.

Activity: Please keep Sarabi calm for the next 10-14 days while his incision is healing. This includes no running, jumping, and minimizing stairs (controlled leash walking up and down stairs). Please leash walk him when he goes out for bathroom breaks. A medication called Trazodone can be used to help keep Sarabi calm during his recovery. Do not give him a bath or allow him to go swimming during his recovery. If Sarabi is an outdoor pet, he will need to be kept inside the night after his surgery and ideally during his recovery (at least 5-7 days minimum).

Incision Care: Most of Sarabi's stitches are absorbable and do not need to be removed. Some redness and swelling can be normal after surgery and with healing. Monitor the incision daily for pain, redness, swelling, discharge (blood or pus), and opening of the incision. A small amount of clear fluid may ooze from the incision and is considered normal. Also, watch for scrotal swelling. This is a sign that Sarabi is too active and he needs restricted activity. Please keep Sarabi from licking, chewing, rubbing or pulling at the incision. He should wear an e-collar at all times.

Sterilization Incision: As part of responsible veterinary care, a small green tattoo is placed near the surgical incision site during spay or neuter surgery. This universally recognized mark ensures that Sarabi's is not subjected to unnecessary surgery in the future, especially if they end up in shelters or change owners. It's a simple, painless way to protect your pet and support lifelong health and safety. There is no aftercare needed.

Medication: The next dose of Sarabi's pain medication (Deramaxx or Metacam) be found on the prescription label. He may be sent with a medication to help keep him calm during his recovery. If so you can start his sedative (Trazodone) tonight if needed.

Microchip: If Sarabi was given a microchip, we will register him for you. Next year you will be responsible for updating the contact and billing information to keep the membership active.

Thank you for allowing us to provide Sarabi with the best care possible. We wish him a quick and easy recovery. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to call us at 682-200. For after hour care, please call the Veterinary Medical Center at 446-7933.