

## These are a few of my favorite things....

### Part two: Anesthesia Equipment

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It's important to have confidence in your anesthesia equipment. Over the years I have come to rely on a few favorites. The veterinary market is fast changing, and new and improved equipment is always coming to market. It's important to use equipment designed for our veterinary patients. The following are a few of my favorite anesthesia equipment:

1. **Vetamac Anesthesia Machines** Vetamac manufactures the Elite and Ultraslim anesthesia machines in our headquarters in Rossville, Indiana. Our anesthesia machines are designed specifically for veterinarians for our veterinary patients. Our anesthesia machines feature our pop off that allows you to sigh the patient without twisting to close the pop off. Our machines feature easy to use fresh gas ports to switch back and forth from the circle system to a non-rebreathing system. The purchase of a Vetamac anesthesia machine includes delivery, set-up and a demonstration by your Vetamac technician on how to use the machine.
2. **Hallowell 2002 Pro Ventilator** Hallowell Ventilators are veterinary specific anesthesia ventilators. The 2002 Pro is an electronically controlled, time-cycled, pressure limited ventilator. The 2002 Pro has the fine tuning integrated for ease of use for large and small patients. The 2002 Pro features a low supply gas pressure alarm and pressure limit alarm.
3. **Vetamac SafeSigh Non-Rebreathing System with Manometer** Our SafeSigh non-rebreathing system features the patented "One Touch" valve stem that opens automatically after being depressed for fresh gas delivery. Our SafeSigh is designed to maintain a constant supply of fresh gas in the reservoir bag. Adding to our SafeSigh is our SafeSigh Manometer that allows you to control the peak inspiratory pressure delivered while sighing for the patient. It is small, lightweight and easy to use to insure patient safety by not over inflating your patients' lungs.
4. **Expandable Circle Breathing Circuits** These are adult circle corrugated circuits that contract and expand to your desired length. The circuit is 22 inches when closed and can expand up to 72 inches. This circuit is great when you need a little more length but can also contract down to your required length to decrease dead space.



It is tough to start using a new piece of anesthesia equipment that you are not accustomed to. It is important to remember with new, improved equipment coming on the market, to stay current and comfortable with your equipment.

Ask your Vetamac Technicians for recommendations and instructions; we are here to help you.

*"Cats are connoisseurs of comfort." James Herriot*