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# LAPAROSCOPIC KEYHOLE SPAY

PRECISION CARE WITH  
MINIMAL INVASION

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### WHAT IS IT AND WHO IS SUITABLE?

Keyhole surgery, otherwise known as laparoscopic surgery, is a form of minimally invasive surgery. In a laparoscopic spay your dog will have only her ovaries removed (ovariectomy). This is done with a camera and vessel sealing device through two small keyhole incisions. Female dogs over 10kg are suitable for this procedure.

### WHY DOES IT COST MORE?

Keyhole surgery costs more than our standard open ovariectomy because it takes a little longer and requires specialist equipment.

### WHAT ARE THE BENEFITS?

- Smaller incisions (1-2cm) which can result in a speedier recovery
- Less pain after the procedure
- Even quicker return to normal level of exercise (5 days) than our standard approach (7 days)
- Even less risk of bleeding during procedure

### DOES KEYHOLE SPAYING HAVE DOWNSIDES?

For keyhole spays; we do need to clip a larger area of fur extending up both sides of the patient. Complications can occur with any surgery, but they are very rare. In the worst case the keyhole surgery is converted to a traditional open spay.

***While laparoscopic spaying offers numerous benefits, it's essential to consider your dog's individual circumstances. This procedure may not be suitable for certain patients. Consult with our vets to determine the best course of action for your beloved companion.***