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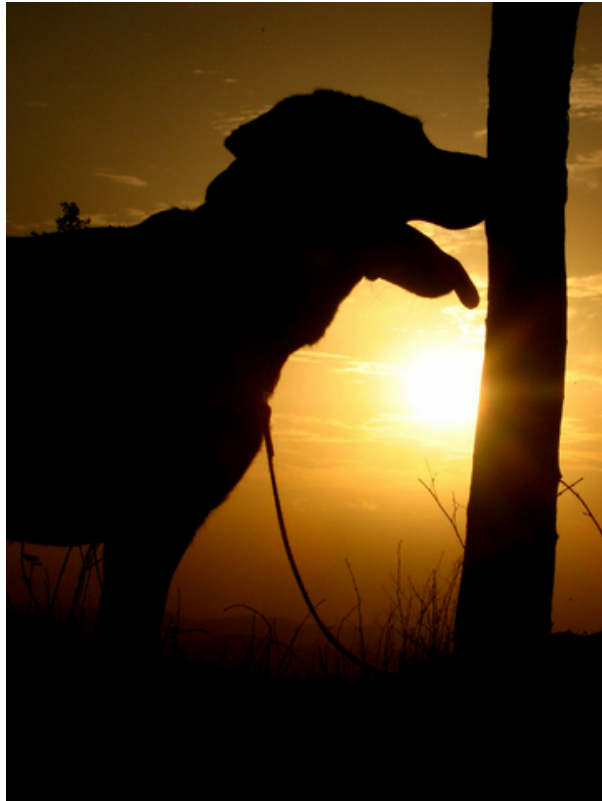
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Time to say goodbye

One of the hardest parts of being a pet owner can be when your pet is coming towards the end of its life. This may be as a result of old age, or because your animal is seriously unwell. Some animals die naturally, but in other situations it may be you choose to have your animal 'put to sleep' because you feel there is no longer a good quality of life, or it is suffering.



Euthanasia is usually carried out in an appointment at the surgery, but home visits can be accommodated with prior arrangement.

Dogs and cats are usually put to sleep by way of an injection given by the vet. Sometimes a sedative may be given before this, especially if your pet is anxious.

Some smaller pets may be given an anaesthetic before they are put to sleep.

The vet will usually discuss this with you and whether you wish to be present, which may also depend on the circumstances.

Afterwards you will need to make a decision about your wishes for the body. You can take it home with you and make your own arrangements. Alternatively if you leave the body with us, it will be cremated. Cremation can be carried out privately and the ashes returned afterwards if you so wish. If you have any questions about this subject, please feel free to discuss them with a member of staff.

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