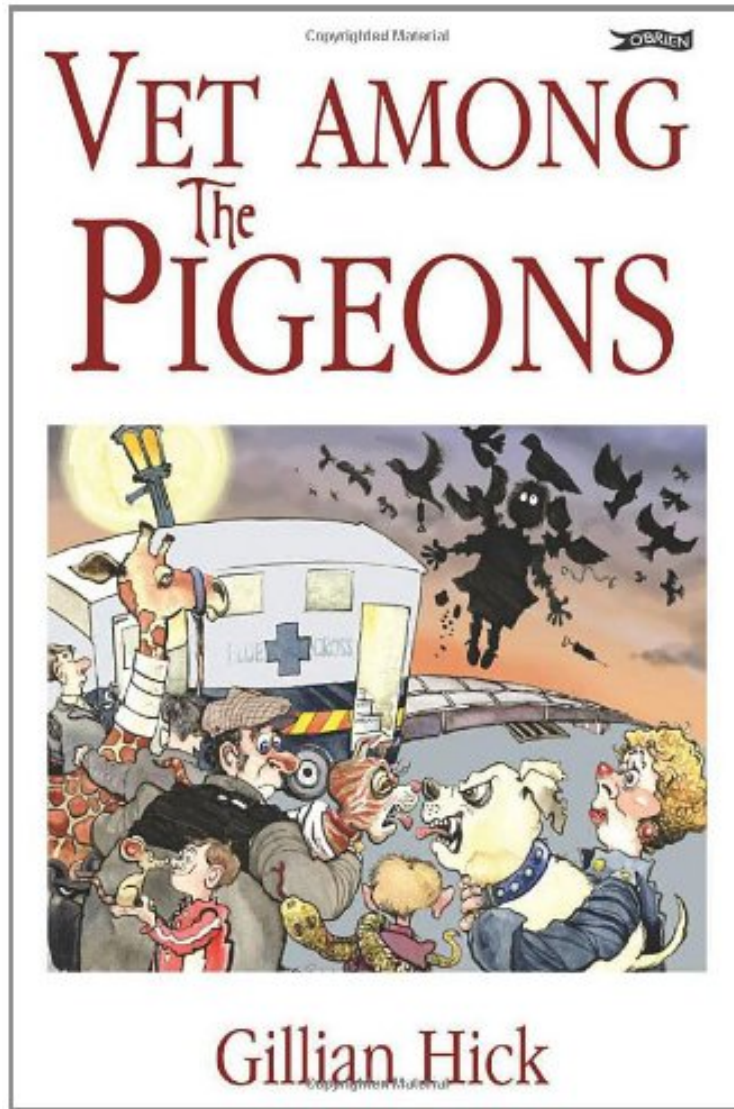


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Gillian Hick : Vet Among the Pigeons before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Vet Among the Pigeons:

1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. A good quick read.By Gotta TellyI read Gillian Hick's Vet On The Loose recently, a book just as engaging as anything by James Herriot. I happily picked up this author's sequel, Vet Among The Pigeons, hoping for an equally enthralling reading experience. This second book offers some great tales as it continues Dr. Hick's story, including the addition of two charming daughters to her family. However, for some

reason, this sequel didn't capture my heart to the same degree as her first book. Perhaps I am tired of reading about the eccentric, sometimes even abusive animal owners. So few of Dr. Hick's clients seem appreciative of her efforts. When it comes to the care of their animals, many of her clients exhibit ignorance, lack of concern, and the inability--or outright refusal--to pay for veterinary care. It gets old, reading these same themes over and over. I admire Dr. Hick and her dedication to animal welfare. She seems like an outstanding veterinarian. I am glad I read this book. Now I think I need a break from more tales about humans who can't or won't take good care of their pets and livestock. There were a significant number of typos in this Kindle edition. I don't know if these errors are present in the printed book or not, but clearly, the proof reading could have been better. I gave *Vet Among The Pigeons* four stars because of the typos and because of its ending--or rather, the lack of an ending, a summary, a conclusion, anything that would have wrapped up the reading experience in a satisfying manner. One minute I was reading yet another tale of veterinary animal care. Then the stories abruptly stopped. It was an awkward termination for an otherwise decently constructed book.

0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Good read! By Tink
Another good read about veterinary practice in the U.K. Love the anecdotes, and the personal touches regarding life as a veterinarian.

0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. A worthy sequel, but too short. By Rich S.
I like Gillian Hick. Her 21st century semi-urban Irish practice is a far cry from James Herriot! And she does a good job of keeping the reader entertained with her adventures. I do have 2 complaints about this book. First, it's too short. Second, it simply ends with no warning, which is somewhat wrenching if you care about Hick and her practice. It feels like the first 2/3 of a book, hence my 4 star review.

Vet Among the Pigeons continues the story of veterinary surgeon Gillian Hick's escapades among the animal population. Although by now not such a green graduate, the animals and their owners keep her challenged in a way never described in the textbooks. While based in a mixed animal practice in Wicklow, Gillian also travels regularly to inner city Dublin to work in the Bluecross animal welfare clinic, but finds that sometimes the two lives are hard to combine. From dairy cattle to turkey cocks, from lofty equines to the not so lofty, from six foot snakes to snuffling hedgehogs, Gillian encounters it all as she struggles to improve her own skills and justify her place in the veterinary profession, along with the help of an ever expanding young family of her own.

'heartwarming and touching tales of Gillian's escapades among the animal population' -- The Countryman
'vet Gillian Hicks finds herself challenged in ways the textbooks can't prepare you for!' -- Donegal Democrat
'heartwarming ... a very honest portrayal of a demanding job' -- Irish Examiner

About the Author
Gillian Hick was born in Dublin and has practised as a vet both in Dublin and in Wicklow for the past seven years. She also works for the Irish Blue Cross. She lives in Co. Wicklow, where she has her own practice, with her husband, three children, and a large assortment of four-legged companions.