CLINICAL EXAMINATION
Are more tests necessary?

Use AVA Anaesthetic Safety Checklist
Any special considerations? Consider assigning an ASA grade to help identify potential problems
Check all equipment including anaesthetic machine

PREMEDICATION
For sedation: Choose acepromazine (ACP) or an alpha-2 agonist
For analgesia: Choose an opioid +/- an NSAID
Combination = Effective sedation and analgesia

In some cases you may choose to use an opioid alone.

ANAESTHETIC INDUCTION
Choose the induction agent: Alfaxalone, ketamine or propofol
Do you want to include a co-induction agent? eg. A benzodiazepine, an opioid or an alpha-2 agonist

ANAESTHETIC MAINTENANCE
Volatile anaesthesia: Isoflurane or sevoflurane
Injectable anaesthesia

Consider fluid therapy
Ensure balanced anaesthesia
Consider local anaesthesia
NSAID Post-op?

Anaesthetic Recovery & Postoperative Pain Management