

- Separated from thoracic cavity by diaphragm
 - Abdominal – large
 - Pelvic – surrounded by pelvic bones
 - continuous
- Membranes of Visceral Cavity
- Serous membranes
 - Produces a thin lubricating fluid
- Name for location
 - Visceral - Covers organs
 - Parietal - Lines cavity wall
- Continuous with each other
- Membranes of Visceral Cavity
 - Pleural membranes
 - Lungs
 - Visceral pleura
 - Parietal pleura
 - Pericardium – heart
 - Visceral, parietal
 - Peritoneum -abdomen
 - Visceral, parietal
 - Retroperitoneal - behind

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