

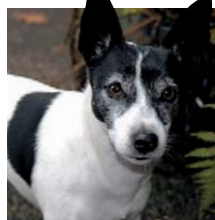


SNOOPY Australian Silky Terrier

PetRescue ID49460
Snoopy is a naturally playful and curious dog; a ball of energy, who loves to keep busy. Give him a good walk a day and plenty of things to do and after the job's done, he'll be content to curl up in front of the TV with you in the evenings.

DIGGER Mini Foxie

PetRescue ID 49649
Digger is a sweet boy and after a day romping about he loves nothing better than snuggling on the lounge and sleeping on the bed. This little man has a big personality.



TIMMY Jack Russell mix

PetRescue ID 49774
He is a sensitive spirit who desperately needs someone to share his love. After a rough start, Timmy is now looking for a loving permanent home where he can enjoy all the affection he deserves.



ANNA Daschund

PetRescue ID 49549 A senior for a senior? Anna is divine. Quiet, fully house-trained she loves an afternoon stroll and an evening cuddle. Her quiet but playful nature, makes her the perfect companion.

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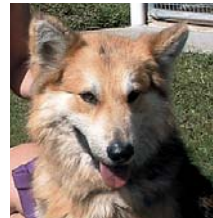
BUNDA Cattle Dog mix

PetRescue ID 49740
You will fall in love with this little guy the moment you meet him. Smart, affectionate and full of fun, Bunda loves the beach, loves other dogs and loves kisses. Bunda is excelling at basic obedience and will be a star in any training class.



SAM Husky mix

PetRescue ID 49701
Turning heads wherever he goes, Sam is a gorgeous looking boy with a personality to match. Sam enjoys socialising with other dogs and will be a loving devoted companion to his new family.



BROWNIE Staffy mix

PetRescue ID 49172
Plain in name, but not in personality, Brownie is a gorgeous bubbly staffy mix, who adores people and loves other dogs. Brownie is everything a great dog should be, and is dying for a home to call his own.



JENNY Kelpie mix puppy

PetRescue ID 49527
Jenny is a happy, energetic girl who always has biggest of smiles. She is just a baby and will need an owner committed to training her so she can grow to be the best dog she can be. Super intelligent and ready to learn, she will be the perfect companion in an active home.



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Puppy health check a priority

PET VET DR JULIE SANDERSON



BUYING a puppy should be one of life's great joys. With a little luck and good management the puppy will turn into a fine, friendly dog. But not every puppy gets quite the same start in life and potential owners should look past the sweet little face and ask a few health-related questions.

Buying a poorly, flea-infested puppy because you feel sorry for it is potentially a costly mistake - although it is amazing how many very nice people do it anyway, just to give the puppy a chance in a better home.

Being able to visit the puppy with the entire litter and its mother available is the best way to really check out what you are buying. This is a good time to trust your instincts about facilities, hygiene, bad smells and the quality of the food being supplied.

Generally speaking, puppies should be bright, alert and eager to play and eat. They should be weaned, clean, free from parasites and come with evidence of vaccination and a vet check. There are abnormalities which a vet will find which an owner may miss.

Worming and food quality are big health issues so you need to be sure the person selling the puppy is telling the truth.

Good breeders and pet shops will send their puppies away with a heartworm, intestinal worming and vaccination schedule all up to date.

Here is a basic list of things a potential owner can check in a puppy. It's not a substitute for a vet check but is a good start.

Check the skin and body for lumps, potential hernias, sores and parasites. Puppies should be shiny, free of skin damage and full of energy. Their faces should be symmetrical and well proportioned with no discharges around eyes, mouth and nose.

Gently open the mouth and check the teeth, palate and gums. Puppies should move well and there should be no swelling around joints or paws. They often have fat tummies but should not be bloated.

Common abnormalities in puppies are small umbilical hernias and extra little dew claws, usually attached to the side of the paw. Both these should be checked by a vet.

The testicles of a male puppy should descend by seven weeks of age. They might descend a little later but the longer it takes the greater the risk of abnormalities.

The puppies should be growing well and be the right size and weight for their age and breed. Any signs of poor health such as lethargy, scouring or vomiting should be treated with concern.

At the end of the day there is much more to choosing the right puppy than its health check, but you have to make one decision at a time.

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**JOEY
KELPIE X**

PetRescue ID 49687

Joey may not leap straight into your arms, but this gentle 8-month-old boy will win your heart. He is house-trained, intelligent and just lights up around kids. Joey loves to play and cuddle, but equally enjoys a quiet snooze and doesn't constantly demand attention. What a beautiful boy.



**SAMMY
TERRIER X**

PetRescue ID 412480

Sammy doesn't notice he's missing a leg but people do, and that translates into more attention and more than his fair share of cuddles! Sammy loves children, is cat-friendly and enjoys companionship. He's a great 3-legged guard dog, utterly gorgeous and totally unique!



**TED
TERRIER X**

PetRescue ID 46827

Social and good-natured, Ted is a big softie but with enough presence to keep your home safe. He's unlikely to be found lying on the couch all day dreaming about his next manicure. This guy wants to get out there – running, playing and enjoying some company.



**JAY
MIXED BREED**

PetRescue ID 49271

What a sweetie! If you've had a hard day it will soon be forgotten when Jay welcomes you home. He has started his training and can already sit – and he is looking forward to learning more! Jay will be a lovely companion and loyal family member if you welcome him into your heart.



**ELI
GERMAN
SHEPHERD X**

PetRescue ID 47291

Eli is a super happy, fun young dog who just loves to be loved and enjoys life to the hilt. He is great inside and lies down quietly to go to sleep. He is good with children and other dogs and will enjoy continuing his training with a confident owner.

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**SPIKE DEXTER
BEAGLE X TERRIER**

PetRescue ID 49727

Spunky, punky Spike Dexter has it all – including a built-in mohawk! This social little dude loves everyone and would have so much fun in a family with school-aged kids. He is easy going and should be a joy to train. With so much charm and good looks, how can you resist?



**KUTA
POODLE**

PetRescue ID 49622

Kuta is a handsome older gentleman with so much to offer. He is fit and lively, enjoys a good game and playing with his toys. No mess to worry about, this dapper boy is house-trained and just adores people. If you've been searching for a beautiful companion, look no further!



**JEMMA
MIXED BREED**

PetRescue ID 49269

Despite her robust exterior, Jemma is really a sweet, bashful princess with a generous heart. Jemma is looking for someone to help her blossom and build her confidence. Imagine the warmth you will feel in helping Jemma become all she can be!

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PETS NEEDING A NEW HOME



▲ **Bomby, ID 47531**

Bomby is a clever Jack Russell cross. He is looking for a home that can give him the exercise and mental stimulation such a smart dog needs. Bomby loves a good run and enjoys a tummy rub. He would most suit being the only dog in the home.



▲ **Maddie, ID 45523**

Maddie is a sweet, intelligent and friendly kelpie who loves to play. She is about six months old and already knows some basic commands. She would love a home with another dog.



▲ **Holly, ID 49793**

Holly is a gentle mastiff wolfhound cross. She is cuddly and affectionate, and loves to watch TV with her paw touching your hand. She responds very well to her name and knows a few tricks. She loves making new doggy friends.

How to save these dogs

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▲ **Tyson, ID 49605**

Tyson is an adorable pug who loves other dogs and people. He is best suited to a home with a patient owner who could give him some training and lots of love.



▲ **Wilma, ID 49615**

Wilma is an affectionate American staffy mastiff cross. She is obedient, a quick learner and good with children and cats. Wilma is quiet at home and loves to curl up beside you.

▶ **Catcher, ID 49743**

Catcher is a sweet-natured, gentle beagle looking for somewhere warm, loving and calm to live. She loves snuggling up for cuddles, quietly following you about or taking herself outside to sunbake or sniff around the yard. Catcher would love a home with another beagle.



▶ **Abbey, 49541**

Abbey is a husky who loves the company of people and other dogs. She is quite relaxed and would love a home where she would be given regular exercise and lots of cuddles. A family would be ideal.



▲ **Max, ID 48248**

Max is a bit of a character who loves attention and cuddles. The greyhound gets on well with other dogs, but would prefer a home where he was the star.



▲ **Kiki, ID 47174**

Kiki has just turned one. She is a crossbreed with a lovely temperament and is quick to engage in a game or a cuddle when invited. Kiki still has plenty of puppy left in her and is great with children. Kiki would love a home with a doggie friend.

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Non-event NSW loses another one

By CLAIRE HARVEY

SYDNEY risks losing a glitzy eco-festival it has boasted about supporting as plans for a free public event in Hyde Park become embroiled in a fight over government funding.

New York, London and Melbourne want to host TreeLife, a non-profit festival involving 50 treehouses designed by the world's best architects, but Events NSW is not prepared to meet the organisers' request for a \$1.5 million grant.

The Victorian Government, which takes delight in poaching big events from Sydney, is now in talks with TreeLife creators Bill Tikos and Laura Demasi, and the City of Melbourne has rushed to offer the free use of any venue.

The City of Sydney had already approved a plan to install treehouses in Hyde Park, Martin Place and the Opera House forecourt for three weeks next April.

Lord Mayor Clover Moore said the festival would "showcase innovat-

ive and creative sustainable architecture, and illustrate that green can co-exist with urban life".

Mr Tikos has already invited actor Brad Pitt, whose hobby is eco-design, to create a treehouse.

"We're trying to do something free for the people of Sydney, but we can't get the support we need," he said.

Mr Tikos and Ms Demasi's firm, The Cool Hunter Platinum, has refused to sign a three-year contract offered by Events NSW.

They say the \$118,000 funding is inadequate and the contract may force them to relinquish their intellectual rights to the TreeLife concept.

"We're not trying to steal their intellectual property," Events NSW chief executive Geoff Parmenter said.

He said he thought Cool Hunter needed only seed funding, not as much as \$1.5 million.

"The door is still open. We'd love to have them as a partner, because we're in the business of creating new stuff.

"That's what was initially so attractive to us, and why we were so disappointed at the way they appeared to change direction (by requesting more money).

"We'll have to look at the business case, in terms of the visitors and marketing opportunities of this event, then look at what we can justify investing in it."

Cool Hunter had already spent \$50,000 of its own money on planning the event, Ms Demasi said.

"Now we know why Sydney doesn't get more great events: they make it so hard for people with ideas to get things happening.

"This is not a profit-making enterprise for us. TreeLife is a free event.

"We've had enormous interest from cities such as Melbourne that understand events like this and don't need to have it explained.

"We're an independent creative company wanting to give something free to the people of Sydney.

"This kind of event can't happen without a proper government partnership."



Amazing experience: Kaine Hazle with a pod of southern rights *Picture: Chris Carey*

In the company of giants

A SURFER has shared a wonderful moment with a pod of whales on Victoria's Surf Coast.

Kaine Hazle was photographed getting up close and personal with the magnificent southern right whales.

This picture, taken last Thursday by surf photographer Chris Carey, shows Mr Hazle throwing his arms in the air

with joy as the whales break the surface a few metres away.

"It was incredible — the most amazing experience," Mr Hazle said after paddling up to the gentle giants.

But Victoria's Environment Department was less impressed, warning it was an offence to approach whales and fines of up to \$2000 applied.

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This week's dogs ...



BEANIE
LABRADOR X

PetRescue ID 49627

Beanie would love to be a part of your life. He has a great heart and is a great companion dog who walks well on the lead and is excellent in the car. A very good boy indeed!



HARRY
SHIH TZU

PetRescue ID 49187

Harry is a happy and affectionate little guy who gets on well with other dogs. He loves to play and walks well on the lead. He would prove a wonderful addition to any family.



MAXIMUS
BEAGLE

PetRescue ID 49754

Maximus is the ultimate family dog. He loves going for walks, is loyal and is very intelligent. Make this good looking fella a part of your family today and you'll certainly have no regrets.



TERRENCE
AUST. TERRIER X

PetRescue ID 49193

This puppy is the perfect little gentleman. He is house-trained and social. Good with people and other dogs his calm, gentle nature makes Terrence the ideal canine companion.



STORM
BORDER COLLIE X

PetRescue ID 49524

This handsome young pup is looking for cuddles and a warm home that will nurture him. Storm has the beautiful Border Collie temperament and will make a fantastic family member.



MINI MAX
CHIHUAHUA

PetRescue ID 49578

Mini Max is small in stature but he's a big walker! His little legs are always busy and would make a wonderful work-out partner. He is house-trained and knows basic obedience.

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Best on Foxtel



MOVIE OF THE WEEK

WANTED

SUNDAY, 8PM, SHOWTIME
ACTION ★★☆☆

The stars: Angelina Jolie, James McAvoy, Morgan Freeman, Terence Stamp

The story: Mild-mannered office drone Wes (brilliant McAvoy) transforms into a lethal weapon under the guidance of sex-on-legs secret operative Fox (Jolie) in this adult actioner. The planet's hottest female star rocks this thrilling ride, based on a cult graphic novel series and directed by Russian legend Timur Bekmambetov. She recruits wimp Wes into a mysterious order of assassins called The Fraternity, bound by an ancient code and tasked with executing death warrants ordered by fate. Fox and the group's enigmatic chief Sloan (Freeman) teach Wes to unlock his inner vigilante hero.

The verdict: Action fans will have a Jolie good time with this exhilarating ride.

MOVIES

MAMA'S BOY

SUNDAY, 8PM, MOVIE ONE

One for the die-hard Jon Heder fans, this try-hard comedy casts the nerdy star as a 29-year-old man who loves living at home with his mummy dearest (annoying Diane Keaton in what is becoming a painful typecasting). Jeffrey has no intention of leaving the nest until mum's new motivational speaker boyfriend (Jeff Daniels) begins to seriously cramp his style. Predictably dumb situations ensue as the spoilt son tries to oust the interloper. Anna Faris provides some welcome relief as a potential love interest for immature Jeffrey.

THE PAINTED VEIL

WEDNESDAY, 8PM, SHOWTIME

Australia's Naomi Watts stars in this beautifully filmed period drama – the third

movie version of the classic Somerset Maugham story – set in the 1920s but conveying a contemporary energy and verve. She plays adulterous Kitty Fane, whose doctor husband (Edward Norton) exacts revenge by whisking her away to a cholera-ravaged area in remote China. There, surprising changes overtake the shallow society woman, her marriage and her view of the world. Watts' real-life partner Liev Schreiber plays her lover.

SNOW ANGELS

FRIDAY, 8PM, MOVIE ONE

A shattering tale of the loss of innocence in a small town, *Snow Angels* won critical acclaim but enjoyed only modest commercial success. Kate Beckinsale and Sam Rockwell give powerful performances in a character-driven indie drama, which tracks how lives intersect – sometimes with tragic consequences. Two gunshots heard as the movie opens signpost the general direction where this is headed, but that won't insulate you from the shock.

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MIKEY
BOXER X

PetRescue ID 49630

MIKEY is a sweet 7-week-old puppy, waiting for a brand new forever home where he'll be lavished with love and affection. This adorable boy would simply love to be part of your family.



ALI
STAFFY X

PetRescue ID 49557

ALI is an elegant young miss with a beautiful jet black coat and an endearing expression. She's an energetic girl with a big smile and would just love to be part of a loving family.



GEORGIE
PUPPY X

PetRescue ID 49633

I am a cute girl looking for a loving home. I'm going to need a family with the time and enthusiasm for regular play and patient training to help me become a well adjusted adult.



SOPHIE
BORDER COLLIE X

PetRescue ID 49348

I am an easy going older lady with a friendly and happy nature. I may be 8-years-old but I'm full of life. I love to play and I like to show my joy by barking as I run around playing.



BELLAR
MALTESE X

PetRescue ID 49708

Bellar loves to go for strolls and spending time on laps. She's ready to find a loving home and an owner committed to bathtimes and grooming to keep her looking her best!



ROUGER
HEELER X

PetRescue ID 49723

Rouger is a sweet little smoocher and the best of both worlds: a fit, healthy boy who will love to keep up with you on your morning jog, then happily lie at your feet while you watch TV.

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