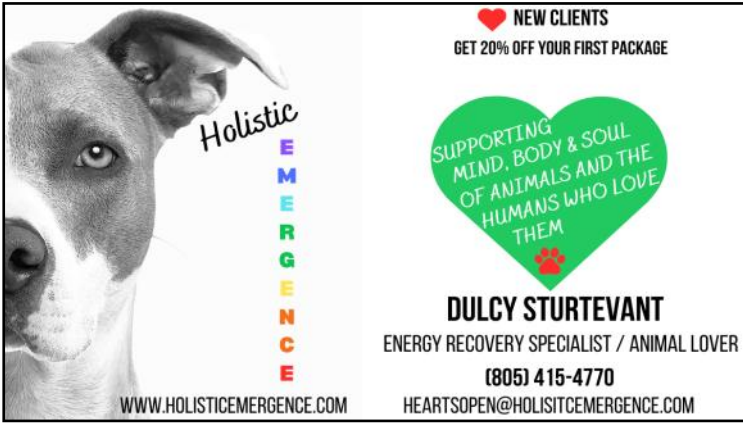


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Dog on Postage Stamp
One of the most popular exhibits in the National Postal Museum, Washington, D.C, is the story of Owney, the scruffy mutt who became the unofficial mascot of the Railway Mail Service in the late 19th century. On July 27, 2011, one of the museum's most interesting objects was commemorated with a United States postage stamp. During his lifetime a scruffy mutt named Owney was the nation's most famous canine. From 1888 until his death in 1897, Owney rode with Railway Mail Service clerks and mailbags all across the nation.

TRIVIA

- *In order to survive, every bird must eat at least half its own weight in food each day.
- *Cats' claws all curve downward, which means that they can't climb down trees head-first. Instead, they have to back down the trunk.
- *Rabbit teeth never stop growing.
- *Dolphins are mammals that have to think to breathe. So when they are asleep, they only allow half of their brain to shut down. They kind of float toward the surface while sleeping; all the while keeping one eye open.
- *President Bill Clinton's cat, Socks, was a media darling during the Clinton administration and was said to receive more letters than the President himself.
- *The lifespan of the giant tortoise is about 150 years, making it the longest-living animal on the planet. In captivity, some giant tortoises have lived as long as 177 years.
- *The fish we now call the goldfish originated in China during the Tang Dynasty. Their gold color was actually the result of a genetic mutation. Originally they're color was silver.
- *Small spaces are often described by the common phrase, '...there's no room to swing a cat in here.' The origins are unclear; did someone actually once pick up a cat to swing it, only to discover there was no room? We'll never know!
- *The only two animals that can see behind themselves without turning their head are the RABBIT and the PARROT.

SILLY JOKES

Cat Race
There are 2 cats. The one two three cat and the un deux trois cat. They had a race across the English Channel. Which cat won?
The one two three cat because the un deux trois cat cinq.

Don't Mess with Seniors
An elderly woman was walking her dog when a man grabbed her purse and ran away. A passer-by asked if she was ok. She smiled and said that it was no big deal, because she carries her old purse to put her dog's poop in it until she gets home to dispose of it!

QUIZ

1. There is a famous dog shaped building in which country?
2. What is a group of peacocks called?
3. In what year did "Time" magazine feature a basset hound on the front cover?
4. What is a group of ferrets called?
5. Which breed of dog was originally bred for hunting lions?
6. What was the name of Sir Isaac Newton's cat?
7. What color is the tongue of a giraffe?

ANSWERS

1. New Zealand.
2. A Muster.
3. February 1928.
4. A Business.
5. Rhodesian Ridgeback.
6. Spithead.
7. Purple.

PAW-SCOPES

DOGS:

Now that Spring is in the air, you'll find your dog's ears will perk up! This will make him wag his tail and want to go romping in the park along with other pet pals. Also lots of pet events this month to visit together - this could prove to be a rewarding and fun day for everyone!

CATS:

Rarely will the feline species obey a human command, but this month's cat appears to actually understand the human language and may even "meow" back in answer. With spring here, lots of smells abound outside which cats love to check out.

CAT TRIVIA

*The longest journey made by a cat is thought to be that of Tom who traveled across America from Florida to California to find his owners when they moved home. It took him just over 2 years to cover the distance of 4000 km.

*The earliest known picture of a cat was painted in an Egyptian tomb about 2600 BC.

*Neutering a cat can extend its life by 2 or 3 years.

*Cats use the length of their whiskers to judge whether the rest of their body will fit through a gap.

*Cats have an innate ability to rotate their bodies during a fall, allowing them to land on their feet. This often makes it seem as though they survive the un-survivable, adding fuel to the fire of belief that cats have 9 lives.

Did you know . . . !

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Did you know . . . !

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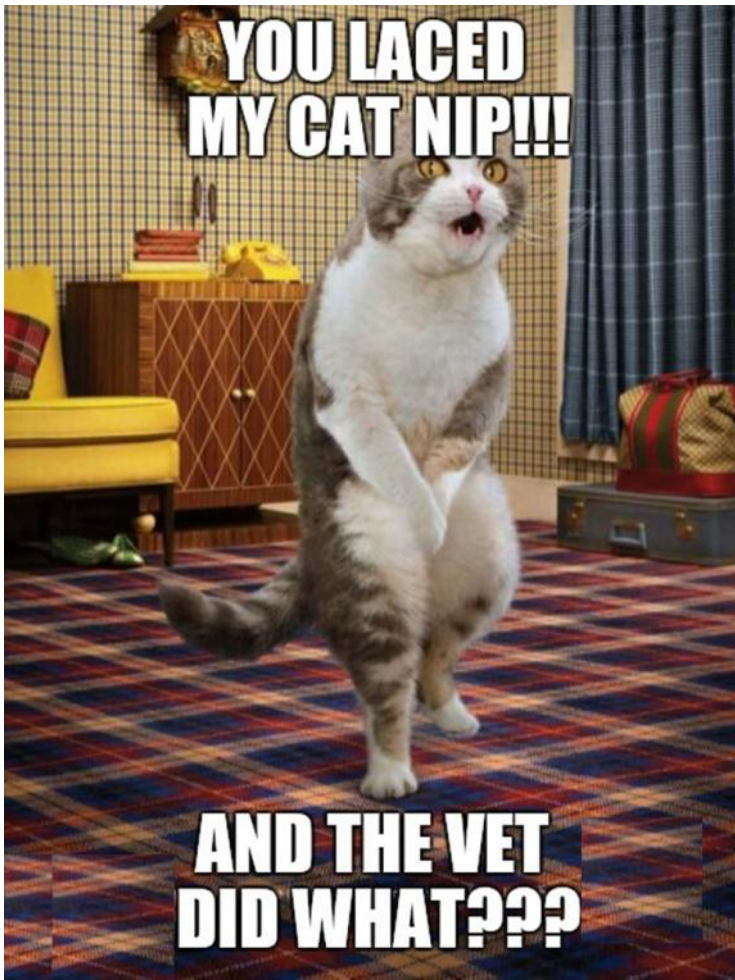
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She lived in Malibu most of her life, but after losing the family home in the Woolsey fire, Andrea and her family now resides in Los Angeles, along with their 3 beautiful kitties, Gerald, Lewis and Scottie.

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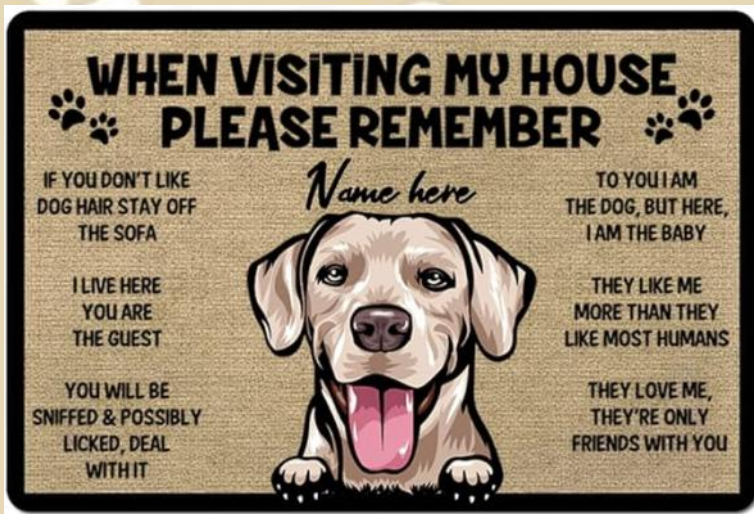
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FUNNY ONE LINERS

Q: What do cats like to eat on hot days?

A: Mice cream cones.

Q: Which dog breed loves living in the Big Apple?

A: A New Yorkie.

Q: Why did the Dachshund stay out of the sun?

A: So he wouldn't become a hot dog.

Q: How do you spell mousetrap using only three letters?

A: C-A-T!

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(who would have thought May was such a busy month)!

- **May** is the month of Mother's Day, Memorial Day, and all sorts of other fun designated days of celebrations and events.
- **May** is the fifth month of the year in the Julian and Gregorian calendars.
- The name **May** is the modern-day English adaption of the Latin word *Maius*, which has origins going back to the time of the ancient Greeks. They named the month of May (or Maius) after the Greek goddess of growth.
- A Roman poet by the name of Ovid had different ideas surrounding the etymology of the naming of **May**. He claimed that it was from the word *Maiores*, the Latin for "elders," and this is how the month gained its name.
- The word **May** wasn't actually used until the middle ages were on their way out, around the 15th Century AD. Up until then, the Roman word *Maius* was still used.
- **May** used to have a very different name in Old English. Back then, the month was referred to as the "month of three milkings." Unsurprisingly, this meant that during this month, you could milk your cows up to three times per day! (*which might have been tough on both the poor cows and farmers!*)
- **May** was once considered an incredibly ill-omened time to get married. There's an adage for it actually, which goes: "*Marry in May - Rue the Day.*" It's not clear where exactly the saying comes from, but there must have been a pretty good reason not to get married in one of the most beautiful months of the year!
- **May** isn't just a bad time to get married, though. There's the Cornish superstition that buying a new broom in May is unlucky. Oh, and apparently, you shouldn't wash any blankets either!
- **May** is the month that the Eurovision song contest is held every year. For those not in the know, Eurovision is an international song contest that has been held every year since 1956. Some of the contest winners over the years have gone on to be incredibly successful groups, with the most notable being ABBA!
- The Empire State Building opened its doors on **May 1, 1931**. At the point of its construction, it held the record for being the tallest building in the world. Many other sky-high constructions have since dwarfed it, but it's still an awe-inspiring feature of the New York cityscape!
- Back in the day in Europe, it wasn't a good **May** if you didn't celebrate it with a maypole. In the UK, at least, they were present since at least 1350 AD. Celebrants would erect a long pole and attach flowers, garlands, and strips of fabric to it, around which certain dances would take place.
- **May** is a pretty good month for US presidents. Every other month of the year, at least one US president has died, but never in May! (to date that is!)
- Memorial Day is a federal holiday in the United States to honor and mourn the U.S. military personnel who have died in the course of carrying out their duties. The holiday is observed on the last **Monday of May**. The holiday was observed on May 30 from 1868 to 1970.
- **Cinco de Mayo** commemorates the Mexican victory over the French during the Battle of Puebla on **May 5, 1862**. Over time, it has evolved into a day of celebrating Mexican culture.
- The birthstone for **May** is the emerald. Emeralds are a type of stone called beryl and typically range from a deep-sea green to a lighter color. Emeralds are symbols of fertility and rebirth.
- **May** actually has two birth flowers – the Lily-of-the-Valley and the Hawthorn. The Hawthorn flower is a symbol of hope, while the Lily-of-the-Valley represents the return of happiness and sweetness. Caution to all pet lovers: Lily of the Valley is poisonous to dogs & cats.
- **May** also has two Zodiac signs, Taurus and Gemini. People born under the sign of Taurus are said to be ambitious and smart, yet trustworthy. Those born under the sign of Gemini are said to be passionate, adaptable, and smart.
- **May** has some pretty interesting month-long observances.
- **May is National Pet Month** in the U.S. and it is the perfect time to take a pause in our hectic lives to celebrate the animals in our lives. Whether you live with a dog, cat, turtle or snake or even a whole menagerie, this is the perfect time to show your pet how much you love them.
- **May** also has some pretty wacky days! Hawaii celebrates Lei Day on the first of May, which also happens to be May Day. Utah celebrates Golden Spike Day on May 10th after the First Transcontinental Railroad was completed. May 29th is celebrated as Put a Pillow on Your Fridge Day! (weird)!
- Many famous people were born in **May**, such as Mark Zuckerberg, Karl Marx, Clint Eastwood, Wes Anderson, John F. Kennedy, Queen Victoria, and Catherine the Great!

Happy May Everyone!

A close-up, artistic rendering of a dog's face, likely a Rottweiler, with a focus on its eye and ear. The image has a textured, painterly quality.

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Golden Retrievers are often used as therapy dogs due to their calm demeanor, gentle disposition, and friendliness to strangers.

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The first therapy dog organization was created in 1976 by Elaine Smith after observing positive effects of dogs on hospital patients during her work as a registered nurse. Smith was a registered nurse working in an English hospital when she noticed that visits from a chaplain's Golden Retriever were lifting patients' spirits.

That memory stayed with her when she returned to New Jersey. In 1976, she founded [Therapy Dogs International](#)—the world's first organization for testing and certifying dogs and their volunteer handlers to visit hospitals, nursing homes and disaster relief shelters. Delta Society (now [Pet Partners](#)) was right behind them in 1977.



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- May 4th – **Audrey Hepburn** – Legend Actress in American Cinema
- May 6th – **George Clooney** – Actor, ER (’94-’99)
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- May 10th – **Fred Astaire** – Famous Male Actor/Dancer
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FUN FACTS

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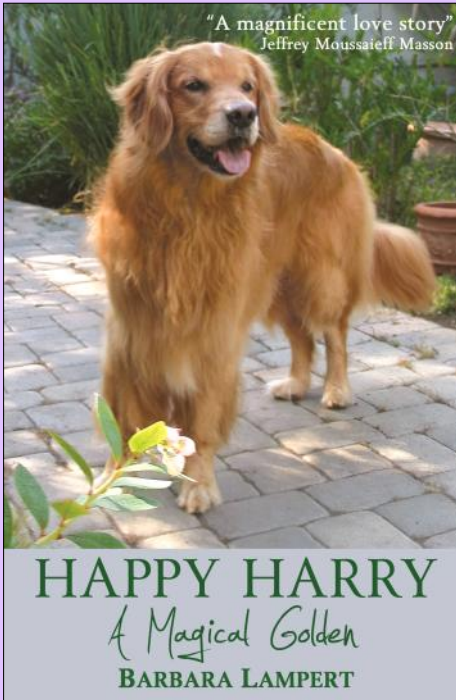
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Barbara Lampert is one of our wonderful local Authors!



Happy Harry: A Magical Golden

“Thanks for sharing this beautiful book! Your love for Harry was so infectious: I fell in love with him as well. It is impossible not to share your enthusiasm and your delight in this wolf prince. Nobody who loves dogs will be able to resist your book! A magnificent love story!”

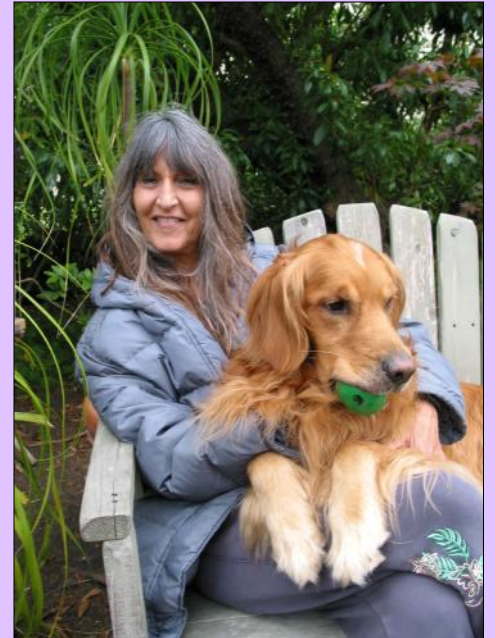
– Jeffrey Moussaieff Masson, international bestselling author of *When Elephants Weep* and *Dogs Never Lie About Love*

“Everyone loves Golden Retrievers, or at least they should. But what sets Barbara Lampert apart is not just that she is over-the-top crazy about Goldens, but that she writes so beautifully about them. Happy Harry: A Magical Golden is a wonderful love letter to the greatest creatures on the planet.”

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– John Lupo, DVM, Malibu Veterinary Clinic
(Harry’s lifelong vet)



Barbara Lampert & “Harry”

Barbara Lampert is a Marriage and Family Therapist who specializes in relationships. She has been licensed for over thirty years and sees her work as a calling. But the passion of her life is dogs. She loves them all.

In her dog memoir *Happy Harry: A Magical Golden*, author and psychotherapist Barbara Lampert, a lifelong dog lover, tells the story of her beloved Golden Retriever, Harry. Like her first dog memoir, *Charlie: A Love Story*, Harry’s story comes from her mostly uncensored daily journal and takes place in Malibu, California. Harry was a genuinely free spirit – wild, and very wolf-like. Did all this contribute to his being exceptionally happy? Perhaps.

Not only was Harry the happiest of dogs, but also the bravest. More than once in his life, Harry had to face true adversity, and each time, Barbara would look at him in wonder, not fully understanding how a being could be so brave and at the same time continue to be so happy. Harry literally pranced through life, with a joyous attitude that made being around him like magic. So much so that Barbara felt compelled to tell his story. Barbara fell in love with Harry. And as you immerse yourself in Harry’s story, it’s quite likely you will too! *Happy Harry* is unforgettable!

Barbara and her husband David live in Malibu, California happily and chaotically with their two wonderful Golden Retrievers, Oliver and Henry.

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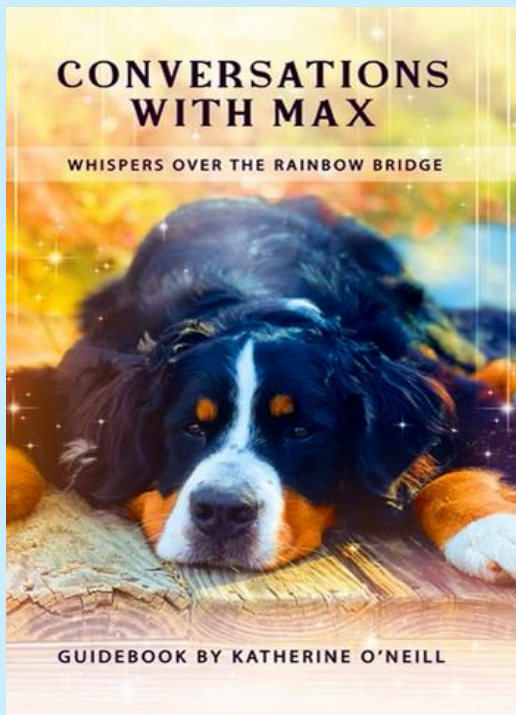




ON THE BOOKSHELF



Introducing one of our local Authors - This is a must read !



A 33 INTUITIVE CARD DECK WITH GUIDEBOOK



Dear Soulful One,

Have you suffered a Pet Loss? Are you yearning to hear from your departed? Perhaps an answer to a question? Your Soul animal wants to communicate with YOU!

This intuitive deck with guidebook brings words from the Rainbow bridge. That special place where our pets reside until we meet them again. Compiled after the loss of my dog Max, and created with Him, each card holds a message that you are destined to hear and asked to act upon. So from our hearts to yours, start your Journey of Recovery and Healing and enter the mystical world of "Conversations with Max."

Much Soul Loving - Max & Katherine.

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Katherine O'Neil is a Certified Clinical Hypnotherapist, Past Life Regression Therapist and EFT Certified (Emotional Freedom technique) along with Shamanic Certifications. The author of *Conversations with Max - Whispers Over The Rainbow Bridge* an intuitive 33 card Oracle deck with Guidebook.

As relayed by Katherine...Max was a beautiful old soul Bernese Mountain dog who passed too soon (14 months old) after being diagnosed with renal dysplasia. One of the worst cases the vets had seen in such a young dog. Max brought joy to everyone who knew him, and the neighbors would visit each day just to get some Max love and hugs and would bring him the occasional puppuccino. The connection between us was like no other and I truly believed there was a human behind those eyes. My children would say he was the favorite as I spoiled him beyond. He changed my days and my life, and I was heartbroken when he left this planet. I know we have known each other before and know we will meet each other again.

The idea for this deck came from Spirit/Max. A beautiful Hummingbird appeared not long after his passing with a clairaudient message, loud and clear that I was to create a card deck and book to help others who would suffer from the loss of a pet. I agreed to the mission and immersed myself in every aspect of the project from start to finish, which took a year and a half to complete.

To use the deck you first take out the two blank cloud cards and write the name or place a photo of your soul pet(s). Then shuffle the remaining 33 cards and place them photo side down and pick a card or if you get the intuitive message to pick out a certain card whilst shuffling do so. Once a card is drawn read the messages in the book under the number of the card. You can pull more than one card however at first I suggest one. It is also a good idea to journal anything that may come up for you during this process.

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Seasonal plants can cause allergies
Talk to your vet if you notice irritation.



PLANTS

Lilies and other seasonal plants can be toxic.



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PREVENTATIVES

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HORSE/DONKEY TRIVIA



Did you know . . . !

There are an estimated 60 million horses in the world, combining wild and domesticated horses. Size – with more than 400 breeds worldwide, the size of a horse can be as small as 76 cm in height and as tall as 175 cm+ at shoulder height! Their weight can range from 50 kg to almost a ton! Also, Horses have exceptional vision!

Missing Horse

A man is attending a function in another village, riding a horse. As he is about to go, he notices that his horse is missing. He shouts, asking for his horse, but nobody seems to know where it is. "If I don't find my horse, I will do exactly what I did when I lost my first horse!" Suddenly, the horse appears. Out of curiosity, a man goes up to him and asks, "What did you do when you lost your first horse?" He replies, "I walked."

Brief History of the donkey

Although millions of years ago donkeys and horses had the same ancestors they have evolved to be very different species and understanding those differences are of vital importance to the care and welfare of donkeys. There are two distinct species of wild donkey; the Asiatic branch of the species came from an area stretching from the Red Sea to Northern India and Tibet where the ass had to adapt to different climate, terrain and altitude. Consequently there is more than one type of Asiatic wild ass. The African branch of the species was found in North Africa between the Mediterranean coast and the Sahara Desert to the south of the Red Sea. There were two separate species of the African ass: the Nubian wild ass and the Somali wild ass. Our modern domesticated donkeys are all descended from these African wild asses ancestors.

Donkeys were first domesticated around 6,000 years ago in North Africa and Egypt for meat and milk. Around 2,000 years ago donkeys were among the draught animals used to carry silk from the Pacific Ocean to the Mediterranean along the Silk Road in return for trade goods. The overland route was approximately 4,000 miles or 6,400km and lasted several years. No single animal completed the entire journey and mixing of breeds occurred as unplanned matings happened en-route to give us the beginnings of the diverse range of donkey breeds we now have. The journey ended in the Mediterranean ports of Greece, Italy, the Middle East and Alexandria in Egypt. In Greece donkeys were found to be ideal animals for working on the narrow paths between the vines. Their use for cultivation in vineyards spread through the Mediterranean countries to Spain, whose coast at the southern tip is separated from North Africa by only a few miles - possibly another entry route for the African wild ass.

The Roman Army was responsible for the movement of donkeys into Northern Europe. Donkeys were used in agriculture and as pack animals. The Romans used donkeys in their new vineyards, some planted as far north as France and Germany. Donkeys came to England with the Roman invasion of Britain in AD 43. However, donkeys were still not commonly documented in the UK until after the 1550s. After the mid-17th Century, Oliver Cromwell's invasion of Ireland saw an influx of donkeys being used to bear the labours of war. Following this, large numbers of donkeys were introduced to the country for the first time - opening opportunities for poorer and agricultural Irish communities to keep a cheap, working draft animal.



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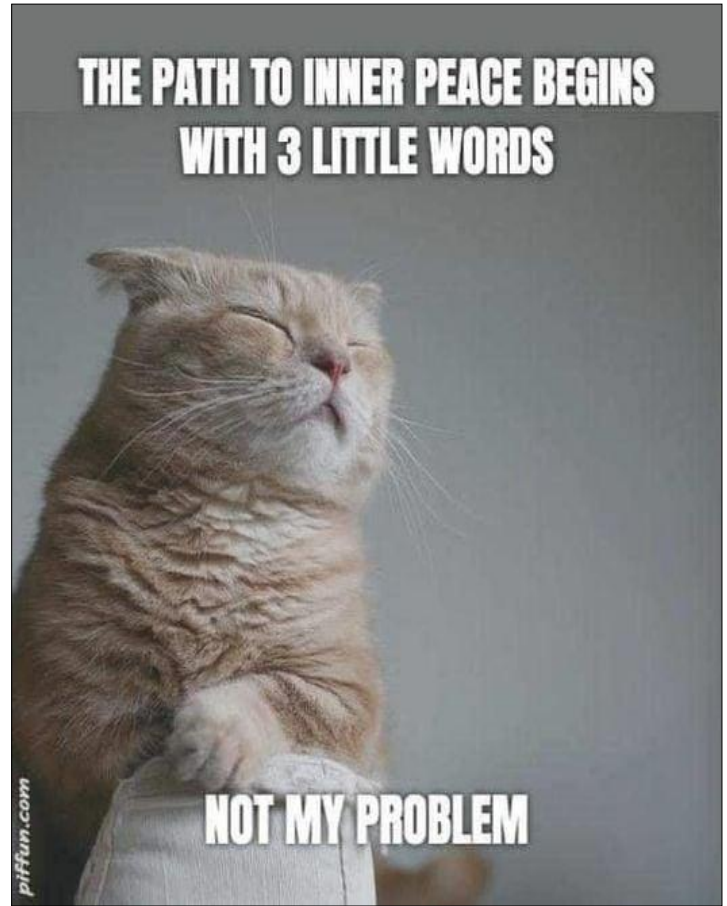
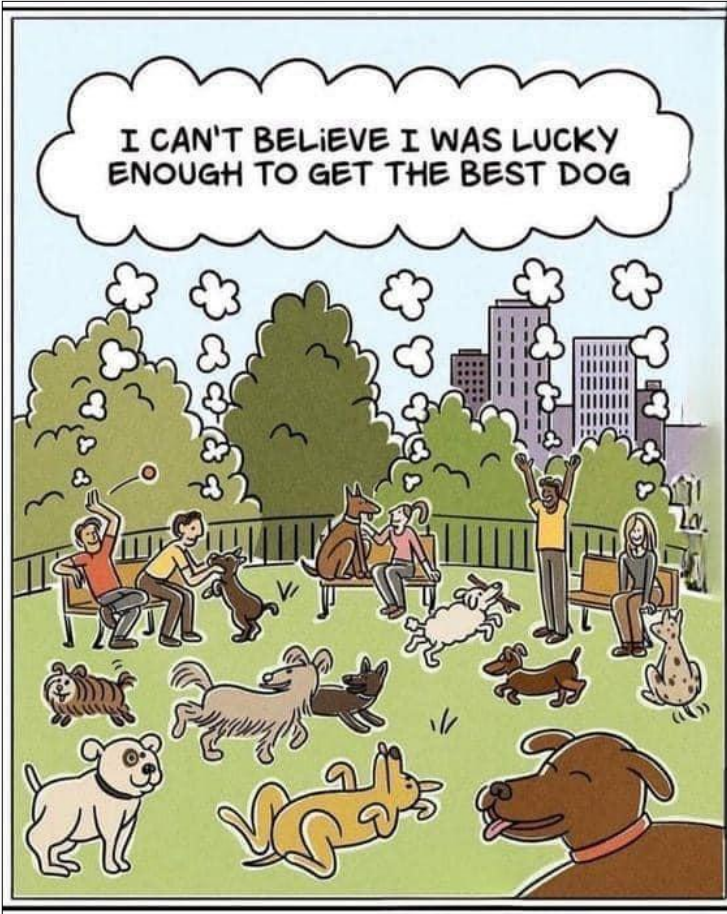
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MAY MEMES



Parisian Pooches

Paris is well known for being an exceptionally dog-friendly city. Parisians love their dogs, and it is estimated that there are 17 dogs for every 100 people in Paris.

There are three basic guidelines to know to enjoy Paris with a dog:

1. Dogs are allowed in most restaurants, cafés, bakeries, etc. Pet owners can safely assume that all (or most) vegan restaurants are dog-friendly. There is no law against having dogs inside restaurants, which means each restaurant gets to decide its own policy. Generally speaking though, dogs are allowed in most sit-down restaurants in Paris, as long as they are well-behaved and don't sit on the furniture. Worst case scenario, the restaurant manager will ask the owner to move to a corner of the restaurant, far from the other diners. Best case, the waiter will bring the dog a water bowl before they offer any water. To do Paris like a true French dog, each owner and their pet should visit the neighborhood brasseries and cafés, sitting calmly while enjoying a long, leisurely lunch.

2. Dogs are restricted in public parks. Not all parks and (few) green spaces in Paris are not as dog-friendly. Until February 2019, dogs were not allowed in the public parks of Paris at all! Nowadays, well-behaved dogs on leashes are allowed, but they cannot sit on benches or defecate anywhere. This is actually strictly enforced and everyone **HAS** to clean up after their dog. Dogs cannot run off-leash in the parks of Paris, but it is still a fantastic backdrop and opportunity for dogs to, at least, sniff some trees.

3. All public transportation in Paris is pet-friendly, but attention must be paid. All dogs can ride the Metro and buses if the dog fits inside a carrier bag or sits on the owners lap. If the dog is bigger, the owner will need to pay a child's fare and keep it on a leash. All dogs can ride the RER (trains running between Paris and suburbs) if they're in a carrier basket or bag, or on a leash and muzzled. Bag-sized dogs ride free, leashed dogs require a children's ticket.

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