

5 Posts That Will Change Your Mind about Adopting a Senior Dog

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Admit it. You may have thought about adopting a Senior dog but changed your mind.

Why?

Adopting a senior furry companion may be the best choice for you.

Keep in mind that your furry friend will be past the puppy stage and won't need training because he or she will already be trained.

A senior dog is laid back and just wants to chill out with you.

Don't believe us?

Here's a collection of posts from the internet about why adopting a senior dog can be one of the best decisions you've ever made.

[Discover why senior dogs rule: Fall in love with Jimmy!](#)

Jimmy is a sweetheart of a dog who'll fill in that missing puzzle piece in your life. He even gets along with cats too. See that. Dogs and cats can become friends.

[Senior Dogs Rule....but don't take my word for it](#)

Puppies are cute. However, demand lots of attention, energy, and training. This is why they're more fun to play with, and then send them home, kind of like grandchildren. Senior dogs, however, can be just what you're looking for. They're mellow and gentler and deserve to live out their lives in loving forever homes.

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SENIOR DOGS RULE

TOP REASONS YOU WANT TO ADOPT US

We're housetrained
We're less demanding
We're mellow
We're wise
We Need You



Adopt us and we'll give
you our love and bring
joy to your life.

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[Caring for a senior dog](#)

Sadly, senior dogs are overlooked at shelters because people want to adopt a puppy or young dog. This is a shame because senior dogs still have lots of love to give in their golden years. And, they can lots of personality and spunk, even if they're not as energetic when they were younger. Keep in mind that some senior dogs may have special requirements. They're no different than humans who age.

[Teach Senior Dogs New Tricks to Stay Healthy](#)

You've probably heard the phrase, "You can't teach an old dog new tricks." But how true is that statement? You don't have to teach your senior dog how to do a back flip. It could be something simple such as covering their eyes with their paws, flicking their ears, or bowing.

[7 reasons to adopt a senior dog](#)

Most veterinarians state that dogs fall into the "senior" category around the age of seven. But keep in mind that the size of a dog affects how it will be categorized. For example, smaller dogs mature slower, so they'll become seniors later in life. Don't overlook a senior dog because he or she makes a great pet for a number of reasons, from being calmer to being already house trained.

What's That? You're Considering Adopting a Senior Dog

There you have it – a glimpse into why adopting a senior dog may be the right decision for you. Read all of them and you'll soon discover that a senior dog can be the best furry friend you ever had. We often get senior dogs at the shelter. It's true that some of them have medical concerns. But it's no different than you and I. Even the youngest of people can have medical issues. Before you overlook a senior dog, consider giving him or her a chance. You may think that you want to adopt a puppy or younger dog, but the reality of it may be totally different than you expected. We encourage you to [stop down to the shelter](#) and [meet our dogs](#). You may be surprised that you fall in love with a senior dog.

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