

Your Overseas Dog

things to remember about your new overseas dog

- ❖ Coming to live with you will be the best thing to have happened to your dog, but they may arrive with some baggage and may need help in the first few weeks to get used to some things we take for granted.

- ❖ Its worth remembering that they aren't used to the British weather and they HATE rain!
so please get your dog a coat as soon as you can, to keep them warm and dry.
We recommend for indoor use something like <https://www.equafleece.co.uk/home>

and for outdoor use something like a Weatherbeeta Parka from <https://petnpony.co.uk/collections/dog-clothing>
or a Weatherbeeta Dog Coat from <https://www.hyperdrug.co.uk/Waterproof-Dog-Coats/products/53/>

- ❖ Often they won't have experienced carpets or soft furnishings

- ❖ Or grass (so they may like to dig it), or tarmac

- ❖ Or the amount of traffic we have or the lights at night.

- ❖ They may be ex hunters so be careful initially with rabbits and squirrels

- ❖ Be mindful that they may not have been upstairs or allowed on furniture

- ❖ Get some sensitive food for the first few meals until their stomachs get used to our food, try a basic dried food such as WAGG

- ❖ Your dog will probably have experienced a few changes in their lives, often they will have come from a home that may have been very loving and then they have gone to a shelter and lived in a compound with other dogs and possibly then in a foster home where the fosterers cannot get

too loving with the dogs – so yours may be the first real love your dog has experienced. It will take a few months for them to realise its ok to be loved and to give love back.

- ❖ Be mindful that your dog will need a certain amount of freedom- they may well be used to wandering around and not being locked in rooms
- ❖ Please don't let your dog off the lead for a couple of months until they are confident with you and have bonded. You should ensure you can keep them in sight at all times
- ❖ Please get your dog a tag right away – showing your contact details
- ❖ Your dog is chipped – it will need to have your name added– we can do this for you, fill in this form
<https://dogwatchuk.wufoo.co.uk/forms/w1uh3nmd0ghyisw/>

In general your dog has come from a place that is very warm and has wide open spaces and they may be used to having lots of dogs for company. Please be very supportive of your dog in the first few weeks and remember the life that they have come from and recognise that this new life will be a culture shock.

We are always here to help, please don't hesitate to contact us if you wish to discuss any aspect of your new dogs life.

