

Could you give an abandoned dog a second chance at life?

Rescue centres across the UK are overflowing with unwanted dogs. In the 30+ years we have been involved in dog rescue this is the worse we have seen things. It seems quite acceptable in today's world that if you don't want your dog you can just discard it. Some will phone their Local Council claiming they are a stray others will literally chuck them out. Maybe this is because they are on a waiting list and as there is no space, they feel they have no alternative but to abandon them, but it is heart-breaking.

Many of the rescues are dependent on foster homes to help get dogs ready for rehoming. This is a little story about one such dog's journey.

Isaac as he has been named is a young saluki cross less than a year old. He was found on the A370 near Backwell with no microchip. The couple that found him found a lair in the hedge so think he had been living rough at least a few days and as he was so hungry he was forced to brave the main road to get help. Once he had done his statutory 7 days and no one came forward Dogs Friends a local charity offered to foster him. A young couple came to collect Isaac. It takes a special kind of person to take a dog on with no history nothing to tell apart from being withdrawn and frightened. One of our girls, Yas, fell for him the moment she met him and he trusted her and they formed a bond each day him getting braver. But he needed for his world to get bigger so he could live his life to the full and this is where people like you could help. Allowing him to develop in a safe kind environment. We all miss him so much but to see how his foster parents have done with him so far is pure magic.



This is a little note from his foster parents

“Hi! We picked up the lovely saluki cross last Monday to foster through Dogs Friends. You mentioned you would love to be updated on how he was doing so thought I'd send a quick update. Isaac originally was super nervous after his traumatic start to life but has quickly started showing his super affectionate, playful personality.

As you can see from the pics he is super confident at home and starting to enjoy his walks and even getting playful 'zoomies' when we get to open spaces. He is still a little nervous of loud noises and too many people but I think he will learn to find these ok soon too. Thanks for the great care you gave him whilst he was there 😊. Best wishes, Laura and Simon”

If you think you could give a dog in need like Isaac a foster home, please contact Dogs Friends as They provide veterinary and food back up and are there to support you and the dog you are helping Monday – Friday 9am – 5pm Emergency ONLY after hours 08456 014 644

info@dogsfriends.me.uk <https://dogsfriends.me.uk/fostering/> And here is the special boy who is now ready for rehoming