

Ten Great Reasons to Adopt a Senior Dog



1. **House-trained** – Older dogs are house-trained. You won't have to go through the difficult stage(s) of teaching a puppy house manners and mopping or cleaning up after accidents.
2. **Won't chew inappropriate items** – Older dogs are not teething puppies and won't chew your shoes and furniture while growing up.
3. **Focused to learn** – Older dogs can focus well because they've mellowed. Therefore, they learn quickly.
4. **Know what "no" means** – Older dogs have learned what "no" means. If they hadn't learned it, they wouldn't have gotten to be "older" dogs.
5. **Settle in with the "pack"** – Older dogs settle in easily because they've learned what it takes to get along with others and become part of the pack.
6. **Good at giving love** – Older dogs are good at giving love once they get into their new, loving home. They are ever so grateful for the second chance they've been given.
7. **WYSIWYG** – What You See Is What You Get: Unlike puppies, older dogs have grown into their shape and personality. Puppies can grow up to be quite different from what they seemed at first.
8. **Instant companions** – Older dogs are instant companions ready for hiking, car trips and other things you like to do.
9. **Time for yourself** – Older dogs leave you time for yourself because they don't make the kinds of demands on your time and attention that puppies and young dogs do.
10. **A good night's sleep** – Older dogs let you get a good night's sleep because they're accustomed to human schedules and don't generally need nighttime feedings, comforting or bathroom breaks.