

HOLLY – Perfection at Seven



I'd lost both of my DAR&E adopted Dobermans two years ago, and in that same month I lost my Mother as well. I'd always told my Mom I'd care for her pets if anything ever happened, so I took in her two small rescue Poodles as my own. They did provide me much comfort in a time of so much loss...but, I still yearned for a Doberman. To join me on the hiking trails, lean on me and fill that empty spot in my heart. However, in these two years I'd added a toddler great-nephew alongside the wee Poodles, making finding just the right matching Doberman for my crazy household a bit more difficult. Having volunteered with DAR&E for years, and adopted two of their dogs, I knew I trusted them more than anyone to help me find the perfect Dobe! I didn't care about gender, or coat color, ear style and would even

consider an older dog...I just wanted a "toddler & toy dog safe" Doberman. I wanted a sweet, loving dog I could snuggle with and not worry about the safety of my nephew or my Mother's beloved pets. DAR&E's fostering program is wonderful and, in no time, they found a great match for me. Would I consider Holly, a seven year old girl who met all of my desires and requirements? YES! And what a great decision that was...she's been with me for a month now and every day I'm happy to have her in my life. She has the same energy level as I do... sometimes ready to run, other times settled down to watch TV. Holly is wonderfully tolerant of my little nephew's petting, and smart enough to avoid him most of the time. She's already housetrained and way past that puppy chewing stage. On top of that, I lucked out that she also knows some basic commands! My Poodles have decided they like her quite a bit too. My littlest, Trixie, normally waits on the bathroom rug while I shower, but recently I stepped out and she was nowhere to be found. I went into the bedroom and there she was snuggled on the 'big dog' bed with Holly! A perfect match, for my whole family!

