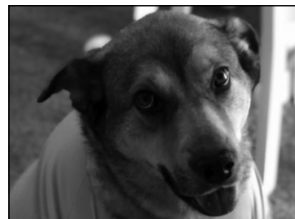


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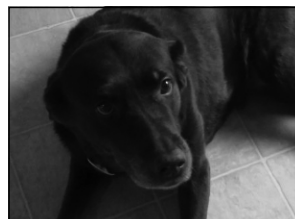
FEATURED DOGS:

MEET CUPCAKE



Cupcakes are sweet and so is this 5.5 year-old German Shepherd dog mix. Here are some things her owner has told us about her: "Cupcake is the absolute sweetest dog! She loves her people. See Cupcake's full profile at: <https://www.petfinder.com/dog/cupcake-44557036/or/philomath/senior-dog-rescue-of-oregon-or85/>

MEET JAZZY



Jazzy is a 12 and half year old, 70 pound purebred Labrador Retriever. She is spayed and current on shots. She does okay with other dogs but needs a little time. See Jazzy's full profile at: <https://www.petfinder.com/dog/jazzy-43718966/or/philomath/senior-dog-rescue-of-oregon-or85/>

MEET LUCY



Hello, I'm Lucy!! I am a young at heart 13-year-old Cockapoo that wants to be your next cuddle buddy. I lived with my first Dad until I was 13, when he had to go into assisted living. See Lucy's full profile at: <https://www.petfinder.com/dog/lucy-44285721/or/philomath/senior-dog-rescue-of-oregon-or85/>

Senior Dogs: What To Know Before You Adopt

When you adopt a senior dog for that pup's forever home there are some things that should be understood. Older dogs provide love and affection as well as almost always being well trained. That said, a senior dog may also have some health related issues that come about from aging. The first line of defense is to find out if the pup has any aging problems. Hopefully, the agency from whom you adopt the dog has that information. One problem that an older dog may have, just like a human, is arthritis. I have written before about signs of that problem, such as difficulty in standing up and not wanting to go on walks. Your vet should be able to give advice but glucosamine-chondroitin are often helpful. Taking weight off the dog is a very good idea. You should first consult your vet before any treatment. Once the health issues are eliminated or reduced, time for a good walk.

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