



SUBJECT	Foster Dog Bio Template
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**Please complete all sections:**

Name(s):	Buddy (3)		
Age:	4 years old		
Size (weight):	12 lbs.		
Coat & colour:	Shorthair, red		
Primary Breed:	Dachshund	Secondary Breed	Mix breed N
Temperament:	Adventurous, athletic, insecure and reactive to leash/collar and hardness. Does not like his paws touched.		
Good with Dogs:	Yes; has shown to be submissive to other Dachshunds in foster home		
Good with Cats:	Not tested		
Good with Kids:	Not tested		
Needs another Dog:	No	Needs to be an only Dog:	No but likely better; would depend on other dog
Housetraining:	Yes; has only had one accident in foster care on the first day		
Crate Trained:	Trained for x-pen – does not like crates		
Suitable for an Apartment:	No; has very loud bark and will whine when left for 5-20 minutes		
Origin:	Owner Surrender	Adoption Fee:	\$550

And now a few words from me:

My Name is Buddy and I'm a little confused being here in foster care. I'm really happy with my one foster brother who likes to play, but he likes to steal all the toys, so I have to take them when he isn't looking and hide them in my safe space (my x-pen). I sleep every night in my x-pen and have made sure I do all my "business" outside like a good boy. I'm not happy when I'm left alone, especially when my one foster dad leaves for a while. I'll bark and cry for a little while but settle down even if no one else is home. I'm looking for a place I can call my furever home, and need someone who can help me build a trusting relationship and who can also help me get over some of my quirks, like my fear/dislike for collars, leashes, and harnesses. I really don't like them at all and even though I try to show how much I dislike wearing them, my foster dad ignores my signs and puts them on me anyway. Once they are on, I realize that it was no big deal and I'm happy again.

And now a few words from my foster family:

Buddy is an adventurous, athletic boy. He's one heck of a jumper who likes his walks, and would do well in a home with a securely fenced yard that would provide him some room to run. Buddy does not appear to be a flight risk and is happy to get back inside, especially if it is windy or raining.

Buddy is housebroken and is happy sleeping or hanging out in his x-pen or a dog bed. He loves hoarding (every single one of the) toys in his "safe space". As Buddy's time in foster care has progressed, so has his positive behaviour. As such, Buddy has been allowed very limited access to spend time on the sofa, but can usually be found "four on the

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floor”. Buddy also appears to have been spoiled in the past, and has adapted well to having solid boundaries and structure within the household.

At times, Buddy can be reactive/protective, with the behaviour exhibited towards his leash and collar, or individuals with a stronger personality. This reactivity is exhibited by some growling, barking, and occasional lunging behaviour, but has never included biting. Buddy will back off when scolded and told to “get in your bed” or if approached in a calm, assertive manner.

Buddy is also mistrustful with having his paws and hind-end touched, and will bare his teeth to let you know that he is not impressed. All of these behaviours appear to be fear and/or trust-based, so Buddy’s adopter will need to recognize and understand what Buddy is “telling” them, and be patient as the bond of trust is built.

Buddy will whine and bark for anywhere from 5-20 minutes after we leave the house, but settles down on his own, and even when working from home, Buddy prefers to hang out in his pen on the main floor. Buddy has a deceptively big bark for a small guy, which means an apartment or condominium may not be the ideal type of home for him, but he doesn’t tend to let loose for no reason, and is happy to join in with the other dogs at times.

Buddy would be good with a single person, and although Buddy is fine with other dogs in the household, he tends to keep to himself, and does not need another dog or pet for company. With time, patience, structure, and boundaries, Buddy is destined to be a great dog for the right person and will likely become a cuddle-bug as he learns to trust and becomes comfortable in his new home.