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of dog care

- I should be sterilised
- I should be vaccinated
- I should be wormed

Please speak to your  
vet about my care



I Need...



Food and fresh  
water daily



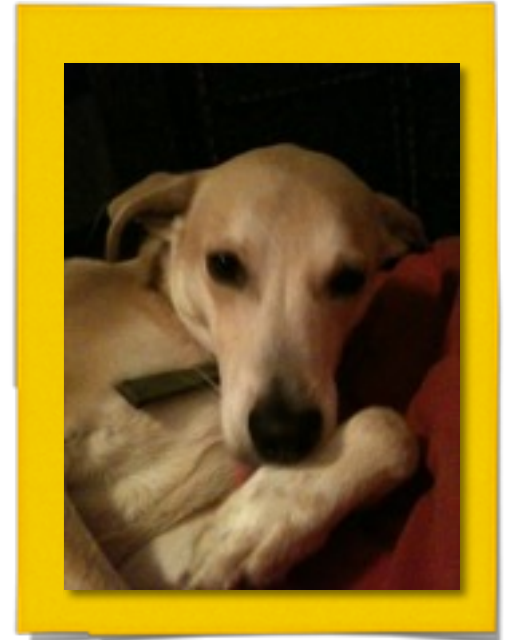
shelter if  
living outside



a bed to lie on



daily  
exercise



## DOG CARE

THE AVERAGE LIFE SPAN  
OF A DOG IS 12-15 YEARS!

PLEASE THINK CAREFULLY  
BEFORE HAVING A DOG AS  
A PET

## GROOMING

- REGULAR BRUSHING HELPS TO KEEP YOUR DOG CLEAN AND FREE OF TANGLES
- GROOMING HELPS TO GET YOUR DOG USED TO BEING HANDLED



## HYGIENE

- KEEP YOUR DOG AND HIS LIVING AREA CLEAN

## NEUTERING

- AS A RESPONSIBLE OWNER YOU WILL STERILISE YOUR DOG AS SOON AS POSSIBLE
- IN A MALE, NEUTERING CAN HELP TO REDUCE AGGRESSIVE BEHAVIOUR

- IN A FEMALE, SPAYING CAN REDUCE THE RISK OF SOME CANCERS
- YOUR DOG DOES NOT NEED TO HAVE A LITTER BEFORE SHE IS SPAYED
- THERE ARE MANY ADVANTAGES TO STERILISATION - SPEAK TO YOUR VET

## MORE INFORMATION

### WHERE YOUR DOG LIVES

- A dog that lives outside needs protection from the sun
- if your dog has to be tethered, use a long running line. Short, fixed chains or rope is unacceptable

### FOOD & WATER

- A dog needs a balanced diet of protein and fibre
- Use a good quality dog food. Kitchen scraps are not acceptable
- Fresh water must be available 24 hours a day

### EXERCISE

- A dog should never be permanently tied up. He needs regular exercise
- A dog should be walked everyday
- Dogs enjoy playing with sticks or balls
- A bored dog may bark a lot, annoying neighbours