



St. Martin's Animal Foundation
Health - Rescue - Education

Goldie's Top Ways to Be an Excellent Pet Parent



1. Spay and Neuter to Save Lives

Help prevent overpopulation and save lives by making sure your pets are spayed or neutered.

2. Socialize and Play

Give your pet love, attention, and new experiences. Playtime and walks help keep their body and brain happy!

3. Feed Healthy Food & Clean Water

Avoid cheap foods full of chemicals. Choose healthy options and give them filtered water if you can.

5. Find a Kind Vet

Pick a vet who's gentle and really cares about animals. Trust matters.

6. Keep Pets Safe During Fireworks

Loud booms scare animals! Bring them inside and help them feel calm and safe.

7. Watch Out for Hot Weather

Hot pavement can burn paws—and cars heat up fast! If it's too hot for your hand, it's too hot for them.

8. Never Hit or Yell

Violence breaks trust. If your pet is misbehaving, try calm training or get help from a gentle trainer.

9. Never Abandon Your Pet

Pets are family—no matter how old they get. They count on you to love and protect them for life.

10. Make Time for Your Pet

Your pet needs your love and your presence. A little time each day means the world to them.

Love. Commit. Protect.

That's what makes a truly
great pet parent.