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“Mutt Supplies”

**These are just a few of the things that we at
Molly's Mutts & Meows like for your new pooch:**

Collar, leash and identity tag

A no-slip collar is best for new dogs that are still a bit unsure in their new home. No-slip collars are also known as martingale collars. We also like strong nylon leashes that are 4-6 feet in length to give you good control. We really hate retractable leashes, so don't buy one. Your dog should also have a tag with his name and your contact information on it and a city tag. Of course, your pooch will be micro-chipped, but not everyone knows about those....yet! You must keep an i.d. tag on your dog at all times.

Water and Food Bowls

Every pet should have their own food bowl but often they like to share water bowls. We think stainless steel bowls are the healthiest bowls you can use. They keep bacteria away!

Crate (See DVD for tips as well as “What to Expect” form)

We like Precision Crates or Vari-Kennels. Dogs like them too as they offer the security of a den and help reduce stress.

Dog Bed

Precision makes a great “Snoozy” bed that dogs love. They fit right in the crate too which makes it very handy.

Food

It is best to feed your dog twice a day at set times as part of their routine. We like brands like Nutro and Natural Balance or other premium brands that you can buy at Centinela Feed & Supply. (We like Centinela Feed & Supply too as they don't sell any animals at their locations and they are very rescue-friendly!) When switching to a new food, be sure to transition gradually by adding the new food with the old food to eliminate upset stomachs.

Treats & Toys

Natural Balance has “turkey rolls” that look and smell like Hickory Farms Smoked Sausage Rolls. Dogs love them. They are great for training and/or medicating a dog as you can sneak a pill in the portion and dogs will usually wolf it down! Freeze-dried liver treats and natural dog biscuits are also good.

As for toys, dogs love rope toys, squeaky toys, balls, etc. Just make sure the toys you choose for your dog are made of safe materials and he/she cannot swallow or choke on anything.

Brush

Everyone likes to have their hair look good, even dogs. We also love professional grooming for your dog.

Veterinarian

This one is a must. Hopefully you have a good vet that you love. If you don't, ask us. We know lots of vets in the Los Angeles area.

Trainers

When you start a new fitness program, it is best to have a personal trainer help you around the gym. The same goes for a new dog. Trainers can help you make your relationship with your dog so strong. It will help you both bond and make him/her a wonderful addition to your family.