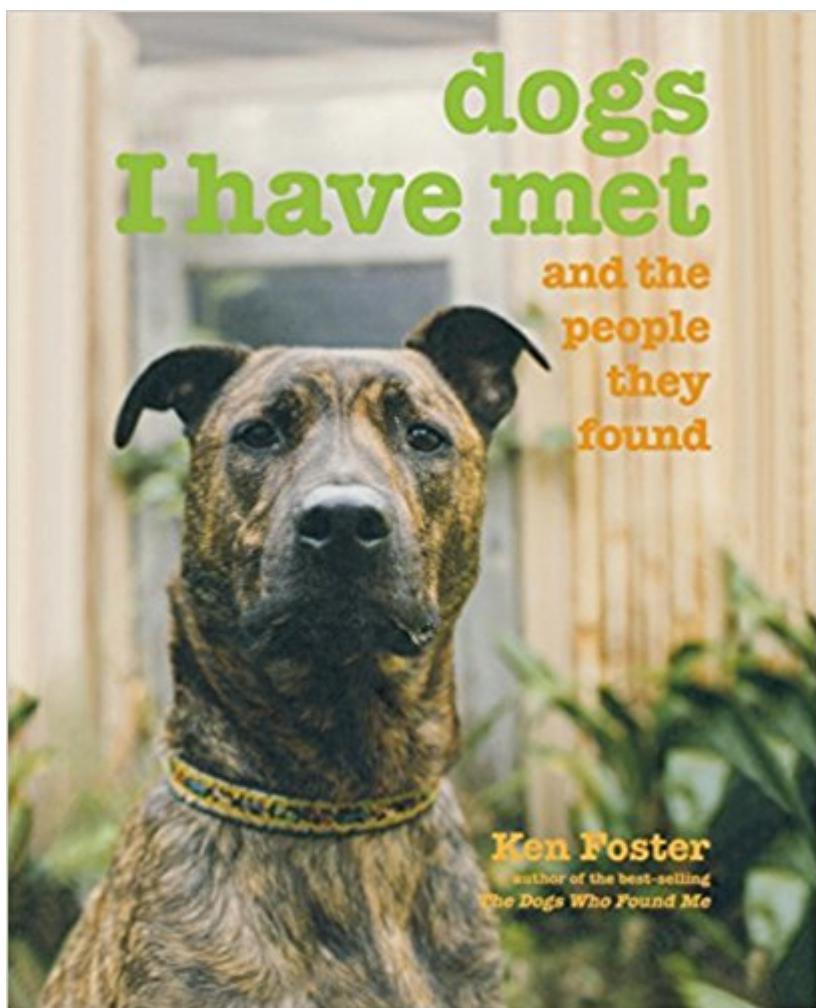


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# Dogs I Have Met: And The People They Found



## **Synopsis**

Ken Foster knows that a dog can change a person's life. And that several dogs can change even more. For THE DOGS WHO FOUND ME, the author appeared in major media interviews such as NPR's "Fresh Air" with Terry Gross, and received hundreds of letters and stories about other karmic canine rescues. Many of these heartwarming stories are now compiled in this all-new follow-up to the original bestseller. DOGS I HAVE MET introduces us to injured California pit bull Jimmy, among others, as well as to one woman who opened her house to 55 stray dogs. Ken Foster will once again travel the country for interviews and in-store events to promote dog rescue and this all-new national bestseller.

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## **Customer Reviews**

In this moving sequel to his 2006 bestseller The Dogs Who Found Me, Foster introduces readers to dogs and owners he encountered while promoting his earlier book. In many cases, the dogs had been rescued from death by people who had "decided that they were worth the work of saving," and Foster interweaves their remarkable stories with updates on his own life and the dogs who continue to change his life in surprising ways. The stories are as diverse as the dogs themselves, from a woman who found a pregnant, one-eyed stray in the exact spot where she had been involved in a car crash six years earlier that killed her best friend, to a man certain that his adoption of a pit bull saved him from Hurricane Katrina. Foster concludes with a more detailed look at the animals affected by Katrina's devastation, including a moving tribute to the volunteers who helped give shelter to the dogs of New Orleans. Dog lovers will welcome this new collection of moving and

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New York Times Bestseller: #5 on the Animals list, October 2014 Quotes for Dogs Who Found Me "Generosity and gratitude power this compelling account of the reciprocal nature of rescue. Ken Foster illuminates a profound lesson about saving a life: Doing it makes you able to do it." -Amy Hempel, author of *The Dog of the Marriage* and *Reasons to Live* "I read this at once, and could hardly bear to put it down. This is a wonderful, strange book, beautiful and funny and moving. It delivers something crucial about bravery, the human spirit, and the place that dogs occupy in our landscapes. It's about confronting need, vulnerability and love, and responding." --Roxana Robinson "Ken Foster writes about the human/canine bond with wisdom, insight, and great heart. This is a fascinating and useful book, full of great stories and practical knowledge every dog lover needs. Ken's dogs are lucky to have found him, and so are his readers." --Sean Wilsey, author of *Oh The Glory of it All* "Foster's dogs are memorable, delightful characters, with vivid, poignant stories. THE DOGS WHO FOUND ME is a testament to the joys dogs bring, and to the beauty in the work of saving them." --Rene Steinke, National Book Award finalist for *Holy Skirts* "If you love dogs as much as Ken Foster, you will probably recognize yourself in much of *The Dogs Who Found Me*. You will remember your heartstopping or being shredded... only to be repaired with an even greater capacity to love." --Terry Bain, author of *You Are A Dog* "Pitbulls, pitbulls, pitbulls, and a man, like me, who loves them. Alternately brutal and sentimental, like the lives of the dogs he rescues. A very very cool book." --James Frey, author of *A Million Little Pieces* and *My Friend Leonard* "This book isn't about Foster as much as it's about his dogs, who help him through 9/11, a heart condition that lands him in the hospital and the deaths of two good friends... Interspersing vignettes on topics such as missing dog posters, shelters, heartworms and understanding dogs' body language, Foster fleshes out this charming account of a life among dogs while providing hints for would-be dog savers." --Publisher's Weekly Review; "The book's conversational, straightforward prose is one of its strengths. And Foster's powers of observation and eye for meaningful detail elevate what he has to say above the level of the average memoir." --www.numag.neu.edu (Northeastern University Magazine) "...an absorbing and quirky memoir... Foster's style is blunt, funny and poignant. He smoothly melds the events of his turbulent life along with the gritty details of rescuing abandoned dogs into a piece that goes to the heart." -- San Francisco Chronicle "...[a] beautiful and funny account of dog love... This light, deeply felt chronicle puts that best-selling confection 'Marley & Me' in the shade." -- Plain Dealer "Foster's book might sound dangerously warm and fuzzy, but it maintains an edge of wisdom and

self-awareness...Foster has led an untidy life, and he's lucky his pets have taught him the value of letting things get messy."-- Sarah Goodyear, *Time Out New York* (review)"... (a) warm, candid, and unusual account..." --Booklist"There are people who like dogs, there are dog lovers, and then there are dog people. *The Dog's Who Found Me* is a book about dog people."--The Oregonian (review)"The book is far from overwhelming or overly ambitious; it succeeds as what it is: a plainspoken, sincere account of one man's direct experience with the mutual condition of rescue."--Bark magazine (review)"This book is for everyone--not just dog lovers. Foster recounts his doggie and human adventures in a readable, humorous, touching style. The reader can feel his empathy, concern and humanity as he tells of his rescues, his requited love of the dogs he finds, and the wonderful things they have taught him."--Best Friends Magazine (review)"...touching collection of essays and insights..."--Mississippi Magazine (review)

Another good book by Ken Foster. I so enjoyed just listening to him talk, like a friend discussing this and that while sharing his life. I appreciated him talking about David Rosenberg's involvement with rescuing older dogs: I like David's writing and am now all the more impressed. I like Ken's insistence on being honest about what PETA is and what it isn't -- or rather how misguided it often is. Maybe this isn't a 'typical' nonfiction book with a giant core theme but it is a good read full of interesting facts and thoughts and I was inspired to immediately buy 2 other pieces of work by him, one about dogs and one not. His voice is different from other writers but in a good way. Like dogs themselves, people who love dogs and write about them, come with different personalities and voices. Ken Foster's is a good one.

In many ways I can identify with the author and take this story personally. On a personal note, nearly all of my pets have come from various shelters. The author shares stories about his work with shelters and shelter pets. Sometimes you will laugh and sometimes you will cry but. This is a story which needed to be told. Highly recommended.

Some of the stories hit a little too close to home, but I love all of the stories and experiences of these pups and Ken Foster.

A must read for dog lovers. I would recommend this book for all of those persons (myself included) who consider themselves friends & guardians of our so many abandoned, abused & neglected furry angels. There are so many heartwarming stories of rescues & what seem to be miracles in this

book that I believe anyone with this interest will be enriched by reading the above named book.

Once again Ken Foster shows the rest of us that there ARE angels on earth, some with two legs and all the others with four (or sometimes three) legs. Reading his stories about not only his Brando, Sula, and Zephyr, but all the other dogs that people have written him about, and how these beautiful little souls saved these people while saving themselves. Foster also shows that it's truly a network across the country, and around the world, as well as the real work it takes to help these animals...and how rewarding that work can be. If you read ANY book this year, make it THIS BOOK.

Such a perfect book for any dog lover, specially someone who is aware of, and takes steps to help dogs in need. Ken Foster writes with an honesty and openness that is refreshing and heart warming. While he didn't always make the perfect moves, he learned from them, and his books make me feel better about my occasional dog mistakes and keep me pushing forward and motivated.

Really liked this book. If you love dogs, you'll like getting to know the ones the author introduces. There are a few parts that are sad and make you shake your head and wonder exactly why some people do the things they do, but overall a positive book that describes this author's love for dogs.

Terrific book. If you are an animal lover, you'll really enjoy his stories.

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