

Thriving together

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Hello, it's Jane here,
Pudding's owner.

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Pudding and I have been partnered for a few months, and it's been lifechanging. Pudding's settled into home life with me and my husband well and she's a joy to have around. She loves to play with her soft toys and enjoys a game of tug, which she usually wins! Our bond has really strengthened over the past few months, and we've had the opportunity to do so much more. She's part of my family; everyone loves her. Many family members have come to visit to meet the lovely Pudding. My family thinks highly of her, and I can't imagine her not being by my side!

A new normal

Before Pudding I had another guide dog who sadly passed away, so I had to use a white cane again. It's extremely different to life with a guide dog. I had to adapt to doing less and relying on others more. When using a white cane, everything is much slower. I couldn't walk at my usual pace out of fear of bumping into things, making easy activities longer and less enjoyable.



Simple things such as going to the shops felt like such a daunting activity. My world became smaller; doing less and relying on my family and friends more became my reality.

Now that Pudding has been in my life for a while, we've created a new normal, and I couldn't be happier! She's given me my life back; I have the confidence to go out and about by myself. I don't have to worry about bumping into things because I know Pudding knows exactly what she's doing. She's been trained to perfection! I completely trust Pudding and have so much confidence in her abilities. Now I look forward to going out shopping and meeting friends for coffee. I find it fun again and can do it all independently.

Exciting adventures

Pudding and I explore many places together. We have our usual locations, such as shops and cafés, which we visit regularly. However, we've been to some new locations since your last Pupdate. My husband and I have a campervan, and Pudding has joined us on some camping trips. We've been to Devon and Cornwall together. She adjusted really well to the different environments, and we had a fabulous time!

Being on holiday means everything is new to Pudding, but she took it all in her stride, and I can't wait for our next one; having her there makes a holiday even better. We've also been to London together to visit some family, and she was fantastic on this visit too. I feel so confident having her around. I'm positive we'll have many campervan trips to come, when the UK weather is kind to us that is!

I'm so excited to discover what else we can achieve together. I do so much now that sometimes it's nice to stay at home and relax. This couldn't be more different to my life with a white cane; I would spend most of my time at home, not feeling confident enough to go out alone. My life has changed so much for the better since being partnered with Pudding, she's changed my world.

I'm so excited to find out what the future holds for me and Pudding; she's given me back my life and helped grow my confidence. I feel like myself again. Thank you so much for sponsoring Pudding. She has made such an incredible impact on my life! Without your sponsorship, I wouldn't have my independence, confidence, or Pudding by my side.



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