

**Joy**

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**Pupdate 1**

**Finding her feet**

**Joy's adventure begins**

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## Hi I'm Jeanne, Joy's Puppy Walker. Welcome to her first Pupdate!

My husband and I have boarded four guide dog puppies before, but Joy is the first one we've puppy walked. And I must say, she's been a lovely introduction to puppy walking. Her name suits her down to the ground!

From the moment she came to us, Joy hasn't been any trouble, and has never gotten us up during the night. She's also very sociable, and likes nothing more than playing with the grandchildren or being in the kitchen with us. Joy is so affectionate and loving, I have no doubt in my mind that this bright girl has the potential to become an amazing guide dog.

### Learning new things

Joy really enjoys her puppy classes and has now mastered all the basics and is brilliant at recall. We have extra tasty treats to motivate her, but she is more interested in cuddles and



praise! One challenge we're facing though is to try and settle her down when she's on the lead around other dogs, as she gets so excited to play. We've been to lots of country parks with her guide dog puppy pal, Poppy, to help her learn to interact calmly. I'm sure she'll get the hang of it with time and training!

Also, to get Joy used to different environments, we've been out to many

places such as cafés and restaurants. She doesn't mind where she goes and sits patiently, which is great. She loves travelling by car and bus too, and we're going to try out the train next week.

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It's so important for Joy's future owner to be able to travel around freely, so we're spending lots of time helping Joy get used to all the different modes of transport.

### **Funny little quirks**

Joy has always loved to make us laugh with her hilarious little habits. Sometimes when I'm gardening on a nice day, Joy takes it upon herself to try and help me. She likes to pull plants up, which is the opposite of helping me, but it does make me laugh!

Joy also loves being brushed and always wants to join in! She will hold the brush in her mouth

and roll over, or try to lick me when I'm brushing her.

### **Thank you for supporting Joy**

This beautiful girl has an exciting journey ahead and we can't wait to share the next steps with you. Look out for your next Pupdate in June!



## **See how much Joy has grown**

We have been taking photos of Joy since she was born so you can see just how much she's changed.

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