

**Date in Foster Home**

02/10/2024

**Hound Information****Registered Name**

XAT Excellent

**Call Name**

Ellen

**Date of Birth**

07/04/2019

**Gender**

Female

**Color**

Dark Brindle

**Known Medical Problems**

Yes

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**Please Describe Problem**

Excellent recently had plastic surgery to correct an issue with a skin fold in her genital area.  
She is doing great with recovery!

**Heartworm Preventative Administered**

4/1/24

**Comes When Called**

Yes

**Understands "Good"**

Yes

**Plays With Toys**

Yes

**Understands "No"**

Yes

**Method of Correction**

We state "leave it" when she is counter surfing and she will stop immediately. If she is chewing something that she should not be, we state "no" and switch the item with something that can be chewed.

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### **Small Dog Safe**

Correctable

### **Comments (Small Dog)**

She is excited about small dogs which can lead to problems if the small dog is nervous about her. We keep her muzzled or gated off from the small dog in our extended family.

### **Cat Safe**

Correctable

### **Comments (Cat Safe)**

She is excited about cats. She is correctable but may demonstrate poor boundaries with a cat and get scratched in the face. She is around a cat in our extended family but we keep her muzzled or gated off. The cat has bopped her in the face in their interactions due to her testing boundaries but this cat does not have front claws.

### **Good With Young Children**

Not Sure

### **Comments (Young Children)**

She was very sweet with young children at the Home & Garden Show. However, she does demonstrate some sleep aggression which may be concerning with small children.

### **Turn Out Routine**

6am - turn out in the yard

7:15am - walk

4pm - turn out in the yard

Between 6 & 8pm - walk

10pm - turn out in the yard

### **Potty On Lead**

Yes

### **Garbage**

Interested - ours is covered, if not, she would definitely get into it.

### **Stairs**

She does the sets of 3-4 steps up to our house fine. She has not yet tried a full flight of steps.

### **Floors**

No issue

### **Counters**

Surfs

### **When is the hound crated?**

- 8 Hour Work Day

### **How does the hound handle being crated?**

She does well for being crated during the work day. She will whine a little if she is crated while we are home. She did not do great with sleeping overnight in the crate (whined persistently) so we quickly gave up. I think that it could be tried again when she is adopted.

### **What does the hound enjoy?**

Ellen loves playing with other dogs and with toys. It is simply adorable how she carries toys around the house from bed to bed (with the occasional slipper). She has had the joy of running in the yard with her sister (taking a hiatus right now after surgery). She enjoys snuggling/being pet and is not above shoving her way in for it. Ellen is a velcro dog and loves to be near you.

### **Does the hound have any fears?**

Ellen doesn't like the vacuum but she'll just get up and walk away. She also doesn't like if something is thrown past/near her or falls onto her best (for example, when my throw blanket falls off my bed onto hers) she may growl, especially if it woke her up.

### **What type of temperament does the hound have? (Shy, outgoing, confident, etc.)**

Ellen is very confident and social. She wants to meet and get to know every new person and dog alike.

### **How does the hound handle new situations?**

Ellen really has no issue with new situations. She's very confident in every environment. She does have a small issue with stairs initially. She hasn't tried a full flight of stairs yet but I think that she could work up to it and be comfortable with them.

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**What type of food are you currently using?**

Diamond Naturals Beef & Rice

**Amount of AM feeding**

2 cups

**Amount of PM feeding**

2 cups

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