

Mindahome e-news

The latest news about pet care and house sitting across Australia



Winter is not the time to wonder... why not wander!

Welcome to Mindahome House and Pet Sitting's July e-news!

Winter is usually the time we rug up, stay at home and wonder when the warm weather will come. Why not get out and experience some new places, people and pets on a house and pet sitting break away.

There are a variety of short break holidays available across Australia this winter season, just waiting for you to explore. Check out one of these great places in our Top Spot section below or look up [more opportunities online](#).

Happy house and pet sitting!
Mindahome Team

Beat the Winter Blues

If you don't want to spend your whole winter curled up in your doona, hot chocolate in hand and watching endless re-runs on the TV, then set yourself a goal to experience something new or get out of your comfort zone this winter. [See our tips to getting the most out of this winter season.](#)

Featured House Sitter: A desire to care for your animals



Joy and her partner, Alan, are travelling and would love to house and pet sit at your property. For 10 years Joy was a property styler and then also managed a resort in Noosa, Qld. Joy has been around animals her whole life, so she is sure to be a wonderful companion to your treasured pets while you're away. She and Alan especially love dogs and as they can't have pets of their own while they travel, would provide special love and attention for those that they pet sit. Joy and Alan have cared for horses, cattle, deer, sheep, goats, cats, dogs, birds, rabbits and guinea pigs. [Find out more about Joy by checking out her profile.](#)

If you would like to be featured in our newsletter, drop us an email at admin@mindahome.com.au

Did you know?

There are currently over 160 house and pet sitting positions listed (with more new ones added each day) from now until 31 August 2014 across the country on Mindahome.com.au. What are you waiting for?

Check out some of [Mindahome's positions](#) now!.

Tell us your stories for a Mindahome discount

What are the strangest pets you've cared for? Have you had a strange request from a pet owner? Has your house sitter gone above and beyond the call of duty?

We want to hear your house and pet sitting stories. Simply drop us an email at admin@mindahome.com.au with your interesting story and you could be selected to receive 25% off your Mindahome membership!

Get Organised - End of Year Holidays Fast Approaching

If you want to save some extra cash on holiday accommodation this New Year and festive season, then start looking at positions today. Get organised and approach home owners about their positions for the end of the year before you miss out!



Lara's top winter pet games

I don't always like going out in the cold, and neither does my owner. But she has some great indoor games that I love and that keeps me entertained whenever we stay inside. I thought I'd share some of my favourites with all my furry pals out there:

- **Go on a Treasure Hunt:** Get your mum or dad to hide some treats or toys around the house. Then you can make a dash and find the stash and maybe even get a treat at the end for your super finding skills!
- **Clean Up:** Sometimes my mum throws a few toys around and wants me to pick them up and put them in a basket. Even my doe eyes don't give her the clue that she shouldn't mess it up in the first place! She's really excited when I do put the toys away, though. And I do get a treat once I'm done.
- **Tricks and Treats:** I love to please mum and dad and I get rewarded when I do! I can Sit, Roll Over, Catch the Ball and I love balancing a biscuit on my nose. It's fun learning new commands as well.
- **Sniff and Smell:** We dogs have very powerful noses and I can always follow the trail of treats around the house that leads to my dinner when it's wet and cold outside.
- **Tug of War:** We've got a pretty big area in our house where my dad plays tug of war with me with an old towel. I love this game!

Some of the house and pet sitters that I've had, have played some of these games with me when mum and dad had to travel. I have fun meeting new sitters and I think they like my company as well.



This Months Top Spot for House and Pet Sitting

Take advantage of the cooler weather and search the range of house and pet sitting positions across Australia. Check out this Queensland house and pet sit below or search for more [house and pet sitting opportunities](#) online.



Stay at this house and pet sit in Malanda, QLD
Just an hour out from Cairns, this position offers a lovely 4 bedroom and 2 bathroom home with unlimited WiFi. Three cats will be your companions during this six day stay from 31 July to 6 August 2014. Very low housekeeping to worry about and only some watering of the vege patch to be done. Find out more about this [house and pet sit in Malanda, QLD](#).

Want your house and pet sitting position to be featured in our next e-news? Then drop us an email at admin@mindahome.com.au . (Please note: Only positions with images on their advertisement will be featured)

We hope you have found Mindahome House and Pet Sitting's e-news informative and interesting. If there is something you would like us to cover in the e-news or if you have some general feedback, feel free to email us at admin@mindahome.com.au.

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