

Mindahome e-news

The latest news about pet care and house sitting across Australia



Getting ready for festive house and pet sitting

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

The summer holidays are almost here and that means that home and pet owners have to think about pet care if they can't take their furry friend with them on holidays; and house and pet sitters have an opportunity to secure a beautiful place to stay during the high season - rent free!

With over [300 listed positions](#) from December 2014 to January 2015 on Mindahome.com.au, house and pet sitters can secure ideal accommodation in wonderful locations across Australia.

Home owners can [secure reliable and trustworthy house and pet sitters](#) this festive season by searching the many profiles available online, for free!

Happy house and pet sitting!
Mindahome Team

Make sure your position stands out

Wondering why your position isn't getting applications from house and pet sitters? You could need a few more details to make your position more appealing than the rest. Check out these tips to help your position stand out:

- **Images:** An image tells a thousand words, so be sure to include one of your pet/s to be cared for, a location photo, the backyard/pool, or perhaps the interior of your home.
- **Pet Care:** Detail the pet care that is required and the types, and if possible, breeds of animals that you have. It gives house and pet sitters a clear idea of the care that is expected during their stay (eg. lots of walking for a larger dog, medication for older pets, etc).
- **Transport:** Is there public transport nearby, does the sitter need their own transport or are you offering your vehicle to borrow during the house and pet sit? Make this information available, as potential house and pet sitters may be looking for positions close to work or family/friends, so getting around may be important.
- **You Home:** Without being too specific about your home, list some of the features that may increase the chances of a house and pet sitter taking up your position. Do you have a spacious living area, quiet backyard, modern kitchen, widescreen TV?

These small details may place your position at the top of the list for many house and pet sitters, so consider the information you are putting forward before posting.

Featured House Sitter: Care and respect for the animals they sit



Knowing the needs of the pets they care for is what Stu and Robi (The Sollys) believe makes a successful house and pet sit. Having owned and loved dogs and cats, they understand that pet owners want safe, reliable and secure care for their hairy humans. The Sollys find that being relaxed and empathetic around older animals and treating them with respect comforts them. They consider themselves privileged to house and pet sit and being invited into the homes of others to care for their treasured pets, so they like to stay in regular contact with pet owners to give them updates, photos and videos of their pets. The Sollys are involved in community based volunteering and have a number of personal references. They also have a great love of travelling and are comfortable living in and visiting other places. Find out more about [The Sollys for your house and pet sitting needs](#).

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

Securing a house and pet sitting position

Mindahome has over 300 positions listed for the December 2014 and January 2015 period, so house and pet sitters across Australia have a unique opportunity to secure comfortable and convenient accommodation in a great holiday location of their choice, during peak season - rent free! Check out our [top tips for being a great house and pet sitter](#).

Did you know...?

Many Mindahome house and pet sitters stay in contact with home and pet owners via Skype, text or phone while they're away? Many understand how anxious it can be for pet and owner when they are separated, so keeping in regular contact with updates and photos of how their pet is coping, is one way to ease the stress of separation.



Feeling irritable? Could be animal hay fever

There is some debate as to whether dogs and cats do suffer hay fever as do our human companions, but according to Adelaide Animal Hospital's Dr David Mason, we can!

Unlike our human friends, hay fever in canines and felines usually presents itself as a skin condition rather than sneezes and sniffles.

But just like our two legged friends, we can also experience mood changes as a result of being uncomfortable because of hay fever.

So if you see some redness or have some irritation or soreness on your skin, communicate this to your human parent, because it may warrant a visit to your friendly vet.

Keep well this hay fever season



With hundreds of positions listed on Mindahome.com.au, there is sure to be a position just waiting for the next house and pet sitter to apply. Check out this house and pet sit in New South Wales or search for more [house and pet sitting opportunities](#) online.



A 10 day house and pet sit in Quakers Hill, NSW

Caring for a beautiful dark brown Burmese cat called Caesar will be your role for this 10 day house and pet sit in Quakers Hill, New South Wales, in a comfortable three bedroom air-conditioned home. Caesar will wander in and out during the day but will need you to keep him safe and secure at night by keeping him indoors. No garden maintenance is required so you can enjoy the company of Caesar during your stay. Find out more about this [house and pet sit in Quakers Hill](#) , NSW starting from 18 December 2014.

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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