



### Winter warmers

Winter is a wonderful time to snuggle up to a warm fire, or experience a misty morning in outback or rural Australia. It's a time to explore inland to see the natural beauty of the landscape.

If you're planning to head out for a holiday with your partner, with the family or on your own, and your furry, feathery or scaly friend isn't able to come along, then [browse some of the many reliable and experienced house and pet sitters online](#) to give you the peace of mind that your home and pets will be well cared for while you're away.

Take some time to explore this month and engage a house and pet sitter for your treasured pet.

*Mindahome Team*

### Interesting reads...



#### Where to go to escape the cold

If the cold weather is getting you down, it may be a good time to engage a house and pet sitter for your furry, scaly or feathery friend and head to a place that's much warmer. [More...](#)



#### Everyone needs some time to get away

Living on a farm or acreage can make it difficult to entrust someone to care for your home and animals while you take some well deserved time off. Many house and pet sitters are experienced in farm animal care and are looking for a rural sit to get away from the hustle and bustle of life. Read here about one farm owners story. [More...](#)



### What's on around the country...

- World Cat Day (Global, 8 Aug)
- National Dog Day (National, 26 Aug)
- Melbourne International Film Festival (VIC, 8-20 August)
- Darwin Festival (NT, 10-27 August)
- Mount Isa Rotary Rodeo (QLD, 11-13 August)

## Caring for pets: Keeping Pets Warm in Winter



The cool weather affects us all - even our four legged friends who have long coats! Depending on the pet's size, weight and age, there are a few different ways you can help them to stay warm.

So here's some great tips from **DogsLife Magazine** to give you some of the best ways to keep your furiend warm in winter.

- Provide suitable and sufficient shelter from the wind and rain. Opt for a kennel size that suits your pet and provide mats or blankets for them to snuggle up inside. It's also a great idea to elevate your pet's bed off the ground a little and, if space permits, move your pet's bed indoors or to the garage for protection against extreme weather.
- Regular exercise is important for health and well being of pets, but is also a wonderful way to keep them (and you!) warm in cooler weather. For elderly pets, gentle exercise will help with joint movement.
- Some pets may also benefit from having pet clothing such as a waterproof coat that will keep them warm and dry when outside.

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](mailto:admin@mindahome.com.au).

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