

COURTESY LISTING

Merritt



Meet Merritt: The Energetic Working Dog in Search of a Patient Home

Merritt, also affectionately known as Whiley Coyote or Le Pue, has a story of resilience and hope. A mix of Border Collie, Blue Heeler, German Shepherd, and a touch of Wired Hair Terrier, Merritt embodies the intelligence, energy, and spirit of these remarkable breeds.

Rescued by a compassionate soul who recognized his potential, Merritt found himself in the care of a loving foster mom after a difficult start in life. Originally confined to a cage and living with someone who wasn't kind, Merritt's journey took a turn for the better when his original owner was convinced to relinquish him to a better situation. For this second chance at a fulfilling life, Merritt is endlessly grateful.

Under the patient guidance of his foster mom, Merritt has begun to rediscover trust and joy. His foster mom, understanding his needs deeply, has been diligently working with him to nurture his intelligence and provide the right balance of physical exercise and mental stimulation. Merritt thrives on challenges and is eager to please, but he requires a firm boundaries and consistent guidance, given his working dog nature.

Currently residing with four other dogs, a cat, and two adults, Merritt has proven himself to be a sociable companion, although his herding instincts sometimes surface. Corrected gently, he eagerly learns and adapts to his environment. However, Merritt longs for a permanent home with patient individuals who understand his breed mix and are willing to invest time and effort into his training and exercise regimen.

An avid lover of play and exploration, Merritt delights in long walks and the occasional swim (albeit accidental, as his attempt to chase geese led him into the water). He thrives in environments where he can stretch his legs and exercise his mind, making him ideally suited for life on a farm or in a spacious rural setting.

While Merritt enjoys the company of multiple humans, he tends to form a strong bond with one person in particular. He is house-trained, signaling his need to go outside with the help of bells, and is a cuddle enthusiast who cherishes moments of affection with his caregivers.

With a repertoire of basic commands under his belt and ongoing work on verbal recall, Merritt is a testament to the intelligence and adaptability of his mixed heritage. His foster mom, dedicated to ensuring his happiness and safety, will gladly provide guidance and support to any family willing to open their hearts to this special dog.

If you're ready to welcome an energetic and loyal companion into your life, Merritt eagerly awaits the opportunity to become a cherished member of your family. With a basket full of toys and a heart full of love, he's ready for his forever home.

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