



## Yulin Slaughterhouse Dog Cheatsheet

All the dogs rescued from the Yulin slaughterhouses adhered to this plan. For the first month of transition it is highly recommended to keep them on this structure to assist the dogs as they learn to adapt to your schedule.

Additionally we suggest that your newly rehomed dog wears an adaptil collar and that you use adaptil spray on their and your bed or places you want them to feel safe. It will make a world of difference for your dog and provide them with a bit of extra help as they go through so many new and sometimes daunting experiences.

All dogs adopted will receive a bag of the delicious **V-dog** food, and **Genius Travel Pet Pack** vegan bone, pet wipes, ear wipes, poo bags and wet bags.

**Very importantly, these dogs do not speak English! They only know Chinese!**

Use hand signals, treats, clicker and whistle training to teach your dog English or new commands. More is detailed below.

### Tips for handling

- Whatever you do...  
***DO NOT YELL, SHOUT, HIT or PLAY WITH THE DOG WITH YOUR HANDS EVER***
- Use slow body movements
- Use caution and slow movements when trying to play with them. Start first by rolling the ball then throwing
- Let them come to you, not you go to them.
- When you do go to them, bend down to their level and slowly move towards them with a treat at all times
- Use a high reinforcement rate when first getting to know them, ie start with a high amount of treats and then decrease
  - Don't worry about your dog getting fat! This is more about them knowing you are safe and trustworthy, which is why you decrease the treats
- After greeting them with a high reinforcement rate, back up and repeat
- Remember everything should be a party!
- Do not pick them up.
- Sit down with the dog and let them come to you
- Use treats to bring them to you in a food trail and use gentle touches
- Please do not give the dog treats for the first month for anything but training and encourage everything from toileting to accepting a gentle touch
- Understand that you will work with the dog to make this work!
- These dogs have gone through so much that failure is not an option- all they need is love!

### Loud noises that the dogs fear

- **Squeaky toys- this is a huge concern and something we highly recommend not using**
- **Shovel**



- **Fireworks (4<sup>th</sup> of July)**
- **Crying**
- **Brooms**
- **Vacuum cleaners (remind them of blow torches)**

Shovels, Fireworks and crying all remind the dogs of being in the slaughterhouse, especially the cries as they heard their puppy friends cry when being butchered. If you do have any of the above noises, lure the dog with food gently and positively in a quiet room, put on calming music, place an adaptil collar on their neck and give them a highly stuffed KONG or a marrow bone.

We highly recommend that you do not bring your dog to the following;

**July 4<sup>th</sup> celebrations Parades Football games Bands**

For more information on how to counter-condition your dog to these noises contact Ruby from **Welfare For Animals** at; [ruby.leslie@hotmail.com](mailto:ruby.leslie@hotmail.com) with the subject header: Yulin Dog Consultation (dog name) and detail the problem in the email.

## **Toilet Training**

It is not much fun for you to come home after work and see that your dog has toileted everywhere! Jeffrey Beri had the dogs on a tight schedule so that feeding and treats went simultaneously with toileting times. It is highly suggested that you adhere to this schedule to help your dog be consistent with their toileting. It'll make everyone's lives easier!

1. **Morning:** around 7-8am after breakfast
2. **Lunchtime:** around 11am-12pm
3. **Dinner:** around 5-6pm
4. **Bedtime:** 10-11pm

Additionally the dogs received 1 very high value treat for each time they toileted outside. 1 pee/poo= 1 treat. 2=2 treats, 5=5 and so on. To maintain toilet training use high value treats such as liver and sausage for toilet training so they know that it's a party when you use the toilet outdoors!

If the dog does poo or pee in the home it is imperative that you **do not YELL, SCREAM or HIT the dog! Or rub the dog's nose into the mess.** These are outdated methods that will highly negatively affect your bond with your dog and also make the dog more scared to use the toilet when you take them out, further compounding the issue. These dogs have already been through so much! If you get angry, walk away into a room and then come back when you are calm enough to handle the dog gently. When you do so, simply, encourage the dog to go outside with you and show them where you want them to appropriately toilet using again a high-value treat like liver or sausage.



All the dogs at Jeffrey Beri's Safe house received liver for toilet training and cheese for sit, stay and wait. Different treats were used to distinguish different commands. We would ask that be continued to help the dogs understand what you ask them to do as they don't yet know English.

### **Dog Bite Prevention**

We want you to play with these very special dogs! But please do so safely so that the dogs do not associate your hands with play.

Do not use your hands and rough-house these dogs, especially around the mouth. They need gentle TLC.

For more information on dog-bite prevention please look up [www.doggonesafe.com](http://www.doggonesafe.com)

### **Feeding**

We highly suggest that you only feed your dog from their appointed doggy bowl. For fast eaters please use a go-slow bowl or a similar brand.

Here is a go-slow bowl.



Never feed the dog from the table as you then set the dog up for failure. Boundaries need to be set as a part of dog bite prevention. If you seek to give your dog a tasty morsel, please place it in their bowl. Only feed the dog during meal times and during training.

### **Destructive Chewing**

Many of the dogs rescued are young dogs and many are still teething. No one wants their furniture or favourite pair of slippers to be the dog's chew toy. But these things do happen! Jeffrey Beri devised a great training technique to assist you and your dog to combat destructive chewing in the home, decrease separation anxiety and is a technique he used successfully with many of the rescued dogs.

#### ***Training Technique for Destructive Chewing***

Use a marrow bone for a dog to associate the bone with you coming back. Give a treat whenever you take the marrow bone so that the dog knows that when they give up a treat they will get a treat. This will decrease potential resource guarding issues.



## Steps

1. Give the dog the marrow bone for **5 minutes**, and leave.  
*When you come back give a treat or many! and take away the marrow bone carefully and with lots of praise*
2. Give the dog the marrow bone for **8 minutes**, and leave.  
*When you come back give a treat or many! and take away the marrow bone carefully and with lots of praise*
3. Give the dog the marrow bone for **10 minutes**, and leave.  
*When you come back give a treat or many! and take away the marrow bone carefully and with lots of praise*
4. Give the dog the marrow bone for **15 minutes**, and leave.  
*When you come back give a treat or many! and take away the marrow bone carefully and with lots of praise*
5. Give the dog the marrow bone for **20-30 minutes**, and leave.  
*When you come back give a treat or many! and take away the marrow bone carefully and with lots of praise*
6. Give the dog the marrow bone for **1 hour**, and leave.  
*When you come back give a treat or many! and take away the marrow bone carefully and with lots of praise*

For longer time frames try putting peanut butter into the marrow bone! It'll make it extra special. You can also do this with a stuffed KONG and calming music, or even put on the nature channel for your dog to watch! Football games might be too much loud noise at first. It is highly recommended you stick to one technique and use it and then gradually introduce change.

If your dog does start chewing when you are around, please first show them with treats and love what to chew. Try this again if they do this again. The third time, have a spray bottle ready as a deterrent. This is something we wish for you to not use, however we understand that these dogs cannot under any circumstance be yelled at, hit, shouted or forced away physically from anything due to their rescue history. We only wish for you to use this as a last resort and then phase it out after the first month of transition. Do not use it for anything but this and to prevent dog fights, as detailed below.

## Whistle Training

The dogs do not understand English! But they will learn soon. One dog Chaser learned over 1,000 words, so everything is possible. Your dog will soon learn to associate the hand signals that you use with the corresponding words. Until then! When you want your dog to COME use a whistle for the dog to know it is time to come and get a treat. The dogs don't yet know the training COME HERE or the English word COME, but they do know a whistle!

**Helpful Hint:** *train your dog to COME with a whistle in your home where there is minimal distractions. Once they've mastered that, build from there. Try your backyard and then more and*



*more as your dog learns confidence and that when they go to you there is always a party and a treat.*

If you take your dog to the park always carry a whistle and a treat pouch so that your dog knows when it is time to COME. You can also use a clicker to help reinforce and MARK the desired behaviour alongside the whistle and treat so your dog knows without a doubt what they did was the right thing.

## Car Travel

These dogs have rarely gone for car rides, so this is a very new experience for them. Some may drool and most will probably vomit from motion sickness during their first time in the car. Try using an adaptil collar and calm music to help combat this. However if they get sick, please don't shout or get upset, simply clean and carry on, it will pass.

*If motion sickness does not pass please contact Ruby from **Welfare For Animals** at; [ruby.leslie@hotmail.com](mailto:ruby.leslie@hotmail.com) with the subject header: Yulin Dog Consultation (dog name) and detail the problem in the email. Our team is always here to help.*

## Bedtime

Every dog needs a bed to call their own! We all want our dogs to sleep with us, but there are times you may not want your dog in your bed, or they don't want to be in bed with you, like on a hot summer day. So they need a backup. At the Safe House, Jeffrey tried many different types of beds to see what would be best for these dogs. He discovered that the dogs prefer to have a bed where their back is against something and they can rest their head so they can feel protected.

We highly suggest the Costco dog bed featured below:



## Dog Fights

If you have a multi-dog household, introducing your new dog can be lots of fun, but sometimes guarding issues or fights may occur. Here's a chart to help you determine when your new dog is not liking the situation. We want you to be proactive to prevent fights from occurring, not reactive.

I like you, let's play and be friends	Leave me alone. I don't want to play
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Loose, bouncing, bowing or wiggly body</li> <li>• Tail held loose, wagging or level</li> <li>• Ears relaxed or forward</li> <li>• Open mouth/smiling</li> <li>• Tandem movements</li> <li>• Licking the lips of the other dog</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Stiff or tense body</li> <li>• Tail stiff or held very high</li> <li>• Ears very far forward or always down</li> <li>• Closed/tight mouth or lip curling</li> <li>• Looking away and moving away</li> <li>• Hard/direct staring</li> </ul>

If you see your Yulin slaughterhouse dog using hard/direct staring, with a low growl and a tense body use a water spray, just **once** and it will stop a fight from happening. Do not get between when a dog fight happens, this is when redirected bites occur. Use the spray bottle only when necessary for this situation but have it around to prevent fights.

**Please do not use the spray bottle for anything but this and destructive chewing.**

We don't think this will happen but want to help you know dog language and preventative solutions.

**FAQ**

For any FAQ or future concerns please email Ruby from **Welfare For Animals** for behaviour or training guidance. Please put Yulin Dog Consultation (dog name) in the subject header and detail the problem in the email.

The first 1 hour consultation by FaceTime or a call will be free and any additional services will be done so at minimal costs that will be donated to assist Ruby as she does international work, bringing behaviour and training concepts into rehoming centres and shelters to improve practices, welfare and increase adoptions.

Her email is; [ruby.leslie@hotmail.com](mailto:ruby.leslie@hotmail.com)

**Facebook: Welfare For Animals**

Additionally please check out **Genius Travel Pet Pack** on **Facebook!** If you received this cheatsheet then Jeffrey Beri, the founder of GTOPP, was personally responsible for the rehabilitation of your dog, who was rescued from Yulin slaughterhouses.

~Thank You~

