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Lucky Dog Winners!

Congratulations to the winners of our March Lucky Dog contest! Kimberly, from NY, won an Australian Shepherd Taxi license plate frame and our Shih-Tzu Taxi bumper sticker went to Jeannine in MO. Thank you to all who entered! Look for a new contest in the coming months.

Welcome Irish Setters and Lhasa Apsos!

At your request, we've added Irish Setter and Lhasa Apso to the Doghouse! These sections are in progress and will be completed soon. Until then, if you don't see the saying you want, please email us and we will be happy to add it for you. [Click here](#) to go to OurDogHouse online store.



Friends Fur-Ever

Do you and your pup have that certain extra-special bond together? If so, we proudly introduce a brand-new saying and design by OurDogHouse, "Me and My Collie, Friends Fur-Ever." This beautiful design features paw prints that wind around the saying. In honor of our furry friends, we replaced the "o" in forever with "u." This saying is available for all 39 of our breeds. [Click here to check out yours today.](#)

Multiples of Four

Do you have more than one pug? Three beagles? A houseful of Westies? If so, we want to make sure you know that many of our sayings can be tailored to your needs. For example:

My Heart Belongs to My Beagle can easily be customized to say My Heart Belongs to My Beagles. We can usually create the new design within 24 hours; so if your yard has more than four paws, just use yours to email us and request [your customized design today!](#)

Tell a Friend

All of our products now have a "Tell a Friend" feature. This is a great way to share a product with a friend or send a hint for an upcoming birthday or holiday gift!

Mother's Day Is on the Way!

Mother's Day is Sunday, May 11, and will be here before we know it! OurDogHouse can help your German Shepherd shop, your Poodle place an order and your Chow choose the perfect gift. We have many great gifts in a variety of sayings, sizes and colors. We're pawsitive you'll find something for all the moms and grandmothers on your list. And, if you're a proud mom or grandmother of a fur-kid, this might be a great time to try our Tell A Friend and let someone know what you think would be the perfect Mother's Day gift! [Shop now!](#)

2. Pets and Plants

It's a Jungle Out There What Every Pet Owner Should Know about Pets and Plants Copyright © OurDogHouse

Ah, springtime! The grass gradually changes its dormant color palette from a yellowish gold to a brilliant green while flowers begin their colorful garden display. However, the beauty from this floral display may be a cause for concern.

This concern stems from the co-existence of pets and plants in the yard. Prevention is the key here. While small garden fences can be purchased to line flowerbeds to help limit your pet's access into the flowerbeds, your best course of action is to eliminate toxic plants from where pets are. Some common varieties that are known to be poisonous are the lily, iris, hydrangea, gladiola, daffodil and mistletoe berry. It is important to note that this is just a sampling and not a complete list of all plant life that is toxic to pets. Also, not all plants that are harmful have the same affect on pets. For more comprehensive information on plants, check out Cornell University's [Poisonous Plant Database](#)

The same concern applies to any indoor plants that you have as well. Consulting with your veterinarian and some nurseries can help green thumb gardeners pick perfect plants that can co-exists with your pets while adding beauty to your summer memories.

If for any reason you feel your pet has ingested a toxic plant, call your veterinarian or an emergency hospital as soon as possible. Also, you can call the poisoning emergency hotline at 1-800-222-1222. A complete listing of poison control centers in each state can be found by [clicking here](#). Another thing that may help is to take a sample of the plant life along with you to your veterinarian. This will help the veterinarian to accurately identify the plant quickly. One note of caution: put the sample in the vehicle in a manner so that pet cannot get to it while in transit.

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