WINNIE FINDS HER FOREVER HOME
I’ve been volunteering with Berkeley Humane since I moved to the area four years ago. I decided to go through their dog and cat foster training program and for the last few years we’ve been fostering dogs and cats, but mostly dogs, every week or so.

Winnie, a gentle and beautiful 10-year-old Spaniel/English Springer mix, was one of our longer-term fosters, as she needed surgery. She spent two weeks with us after surgery (rather than the usual 5-7 days), and during that time we really fell in love with her. While she was with us, we called her Winnie, because our youngest son, River, had trouble saying “Wendy.”

She was so sweet and gentle and so good with our two kids, especially the little one, that we wondered if we should adopt her. She also attached to me quickly, and wouldn’t leave my side. However, with two young boys, I just wasn’t sure.

Then came my fateful trip out of town. As I was getting ready to go away, I took her back to the shelter, as usual. We learned that she was adopted out the next day (and were happy, but secretly sad because we were so in love with her). But, as it turned out, the people brought her back to the shelter 24-hours later! They called my husband, Jason, to have her picked up to be fostered for another week. Unbeknownst to me, Jason went to get her and adopted her right then in there. He called me while I was out of town, and said, “Winnie is ours!”

I’m so glad Jason just adopted her, with or without me being home yet! Sometimes you can sit on the fence too long, and then you miss a great opportunity. Winnie is such a wonderful addition to our family. We are so happy we have her now, and can’t imagine life without her.

If you would like to learn more about pet adoption, contact Berkeley Humane, berkeleyhumane.org for more information.

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