

# Indelible Indy is a magnificent midwestern getaway

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offers a triple combination of a zoo, aquarium and botanic gardens. The zoo has all the animal attractions like lions, tigers and bears (and many, many more) that would be expected at a first-rate facility, plus an aquarium that hosts dolphin shows and offers the opportunity to touch... sharks! The botanical gardens presently displays massive lego

structures in the shapes of animals in the midst of the peaceful and beautiful gardens. The zoo is easily navigable, and is divided into Deserts, Forests, Oceans, Plains and Encounters. Visitors can see orangutans up close and witness their intelligence in the orangutan center, and there are a number of animal babies just waiting to be doted over.

For history buffs, the

Benjamin Harrison Presidential Site is a splendid way to discover more about our nation's 23rd President and his life and times with a guided tour that spotlights furnishings, significant events, mementos and stories. Located in a lovely historical neighborhood, the house and its well-studied personnel help visitors imagine campaign speeches being delivered to spec-

tators on the front lawn of the home by a president regarded by some from his time as one of the most eloquent ever.

A visit to Indy's Monument Circle will also appeal to the connoisseur of all things historical, with the remarkable Soldiers' and Sailors' Monument and a free Civil War museum. A drive through historic Crown Hill Cemetery presents

eclectic memorials and a who's who of Hoosiers.

To enjoy an extra special and unique experience, take to the waterway downtown, where gondola rides are available on the Indiana Central Canal through Old World Gondoliers. A singing gondolier steers the Venetian vessel while belting out operatic notes as the gondola peacefully cruises through the downtown area. It's no wonder so many proposals, and even weddings, take place on these beautiful boats. Gondolas are available for public rides, but private rides can also be arranged.

As for accommodations, the Crowne Plaza Indianapolis Downtown Union Station is a train enthusiast's dream, literally, as in the hotel is built in what was the world's first union station and offers a limited selection of hotel rooms that are housed in old Pullman carriages on

their original tracks. A saunter through the hotel's grounds leads guests to encounter statues modeled after individuals who would have frequented the station during its heyday. With respect to modern times, the hotel is an ideal location for those looking to check out the downtown area, attend sporting events or book an excellent conference venue for meetings.

To plan your trip to Indianapolis, the best place to start is by visiting [www.visitindy.com](http://www.visitindy.com), where a wealth of information can be found about accommodations, special events, attractions, restaurants and pretty much anything you'd need to know. Bring the family, check out the sports scene, immerse yourself in history. Learn and have fun. Get ready to be impressed and expect to be surprised. Go ahead. Start your engines. Visit Indy.

## PETS

### Companion Animals Available for Adoption

**Charlie**



Charlie has a very important job. After all, he is a Bassador. That's a Basset Hound/Labrador Retriever mix. His job is to play, have fun and make you laugh with his antics. Born in 2012, he came to New Leash on Life when his family went through some changes and were no longer able to care for him. Charlie is big fun in a small package. He greets each day with a big smile so it's hard to ever feel bad when you're around him. His legs may be short, but he's always up for an adventure and can keep up with just about anyone. Charlie weighs about 36 pounds, is neutered, micro-chipped and current on vaccinations. Thanks to a partnership with Best Friends, you can adopt him for \$40 with an approved application. If you're looking for a low rider who is as sweet as he can be, you've got to meet Charlie! \*\*All New Leash on Life dogs must be adopted to families willing to have their pets be allowed inside - especially at night. No dog is allowed to be put on a "tie-out" or chain outside and should be walked on a leash when not in a fenced in yard.\*\* (Pet ID - D16-096) For more information, call New Leash on Life at 615-444-1144 or visit [www.newleashonline.org](http://www.newleashonline.org).

**Mara**



Mara is a shy, 8 year old, black and white shorthair kitty who weighs 10.5 pounds. She came to New Leash on Life when her humans had to move and couldn't take her with them. Mara has been with the same family all her life and will take time adjusting to her new environment. She is a sweet girl who enjoys getting affection and we hope will thrive in a home environment if only given a chance. Mara is litter boxed trained, spayed, micro-chipped, vaccinated. Come and meet Mara and adopt this gorgeous lady for \$85. \*\*Adoption Center Policy: All cats must be INDOOR ONLY and shall NOT be declawed.\*\* (Pet ID - C16-067) For more information, call New Leash on Life at 615-444-1144 or visit [www.newleashonline.org](http://www.newleashonline.org). The adoption center is located at 507 West Baddour Pkwy. in Lebanon. Ask about our pet sleepover program.

**Legos**



Legos are the building block for any age to play with. Lego is a gorgeous 1 year old, silver and black medium haired momma cat who came to New Leash on Life and had a litter of 4 kittens: Checkers, Scrabble, Yahtzee, and Jenga. She was a great mom to her kids and now that they are able to care for themselves she is ready to build her fur-ever family with you. Lego hasn't met a stranger and enjoys being held and getting all the attention she can handle. She is litter box trained, spayed, micro-chipped, and vaccinated. You can adopt this loveable girl for \$85 with approved application. \*\*Adoption Center Policy: All cats must be INDOOR ONLY and shall NOT be declawed.\*\* (Pet ID - C16-066) For more information, call New Leash on Life at 615-444-1144 or visit [www.newleashonline.org](http://www.newleashonline.org). Ask about our pet sleepover program.

**Jasper**



Jasper is a 1 to 2 year old Border Collie. He is very active and will need a secured, fenced-in yard. Jasper is a known escape artist and has separation anxiety. He still needs work on house training, but is very sweet and gets along with some other dogs. If you are interested in this beautiful boy and have other dogs, it would be best to bring them to the shelter so they can meet in the park area. Jasper has been neutered, is fully vaccinated, heartworm negative and dewormed. member of the family with outside privileges. For more information call the Humane Society of Sumner County at 615-822-0061 or visit [www.sumnerhumane.org](http://www.sumnerhumane.org). The Humane Society of Sumner County's Adoption Center is located at 16 Volunteer Parkway in Hendersonville.

**Nala & Bailey**



And since Bailey is her little buddy, she gets upset when he is not with her. Nala has been taught to sit on command, knows how to give her paw for a shake and seems to be gaining confidence every day. Bailey has been neutered and Nala has been spayed. Both are micro-chipped and current on vaccinations. Thanks to a partnership with Best Friends, you can adopt the pair for \$140. Come meet this dynamic duo and see if they would be a great match for your family. \*\*All New Leash on Life dogs must be adopted to families willing to have their pets be allowed inside - especially at night. No dog is allowed to be put on a "tie-out" or chain outside and should be walked on a leash when not in a fenced in yard.\*\* (Pet ID D16-097 & D16-098)

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**Scruffy**



Scruffy is a 4 to 5 month old grey Tabby with white. He is very friendly should be a great house cat and companion. He is friendly when he gets to know you and is waiting for his forever home. Scruffy is fully vaccinated, neutered, tested negative for leukemia and AIDS and dewormed. He should be an inside only member of the family and should never be declawed for his own safety and quality of life. For more information call 615-822-0061 or visit [www.sumnerhumane.org](http://www.sumnerhumane.org). The shelter is located at 16 Volunteer Parkway in Hendersonville.

We won't call them the odd couple, we'll just say they're a cute pair. Bailey and Nala have been through a lot recently. Their human passed away at home and local animal control was called in to pick them up. They are now at New Leash on Life, looking for a family who is willing to keep them together. Bailey, born in 2009, is a black and tan, Chihuahua/

Min Pin mix. He weighs just over 11 pounds. He is a social young man who would be happy sitting in your lap all day and he'll take as much attention as he can get. Nala, born in 2013, is a beautiful blonde Pit Bull Terrier mix. She weighs just over 65 pounds. We can't be certain but we think Bailey is the only other dog Nala has been socialized with.

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