



SUBJECT	Foster Dog Bio Template
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**Please complete all sections:**

Name(s):	Buster		
Age:	Approx 9 years		
Size (weight):	14 lbs.		
Coat & colour:	Shorthair, Black & Tan		
Primary Breed:	Dachshund	Secondary Breed	Mix breed N
Temperament:	Great temperament: inquisitive, low energy, high separation anxiety		
Good with Dogs:	Yes; shows no interest in other dogs. Will stand ground in a scuffle.		
Good with Cats:	Not tested		
Good with Kids:	Yes		
Needs another Dog:	No	Needs to be an only Dog:	No
Housetraining:	No, work in progress.		
Crate Trained:	Trained for x-pen; does not like to be left alone, needs to be in eye shot		
Suitable for an Apartment:	No; has very loud bark and howl if left.		
Origin:	Stray – shelter	Adoption Fee:	\$450

And now a few words from me:

My Name is Buster, and I was “busted” out of a shelter by Canadian Dachshund Rescue and now I’m staying in a wonderful foster home. My foster dads have two of their own wiener dogs, but I don’t really care about them as I’m solely focused on being with either of my foster dads snuggled on the sofa. I’m not allowed on the big bed but sure would rather sleep there. For now, I’ll stay in my bed on the floor, which is likely better anyways since I like to jump off things. When one of them leaves the house, I get anxious and start running to the doors looking for them and will jump up on anything to get a good look out the window. If both leave, then oh boy, that really makes me anxious, and I’ve managed to break out of my x-pen many times trying to find them. My foster dads have been really patient with me while I learn rules, boundaries and how to have proper manners, although in typical Dachshund format I like to push those boundaries. I’m a bit reckless sometimes and will knock things (or other dogs) out of my way to get where I want go, especially when I’m trying to look out the window. Food is my friend, and I will make every effort to find it so beware, don’t leave anything out... and even if you think it’s safe, I’m likely to find a way to reach it. There will be no “five-second rule” with me in the house; I can catch what falls before it even hits the ground and I’m not fussy about what it is. I love to go on a short walk and will stop at any little distraction along the way.

And now a few words from my foster family:

When Buster came into our home, he was a bit of a mess. His body condition suggested that he was overly loved as he was a bit overweight (he is a real scavenger for people food). Careful attention needs to be paid when food is left out as he finds ingenious ways of getting up high to achieve his goal of stealing food. Buster loves to be brushed and had severe dandruff when he arrived. Daily brushing, supplements of fish oil, and

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spray conditioner have helped his skin tremendously. Buster had 19 teeth removed and will need to have his teeth regularly cleaned to prevent further decay as he has deeply receded gums. He is easy to travel with in the car and will generally fall asleep right away. He has no interest in toys and has never played with the many at his disposal. He has never engaged in play with either of the resident dogs, even when prompted by them to do so. He isn't fully potty trained, but we've seen a significant improvement with regular trips outside and securing him in an x-pen when we're away from the house. Speaking of the x-pen, Buster is a clever Dachshund and has managed to escape the x-pen many times when it has not been well-secured and weighted down. Sometimes how he escapes remains a mystery. He gets very anxious when we leave the house and will do anything to try to get to us. He's an insecure dog who needs to be touching us or within eyesight all the time. Buster would do best with an owner who is home more often than not and only away for short periods at a time.

**Being Foster in London, ON**