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Description:

From Publishers Weekly In this moving sequel to his 2006 bestseller *The Dogs Who Found Me*, Foster introduces readers to dogs and owners he encountered while promoting his earlier book. In many cases, the dogs had been rescued from death by people who had "decided that they were worth the work of saving," and Foster interweaves their remarkable stories with updates on his own life and the dogs who continue to change his life in surprising ways. The stories are as diverse as the dogs themselves, from a woman who found a pregnant, one-eyed stray in the exact spot where she

had been involved in a car crash six years earlier that killed her best friend, to a man certain that his adoption of a pit bull saved him from Hurricane Katrina. Foster concludes with a more detailed look at the animals affected by Katrina's devastation, including a moving tribute to the volunteers who helped give shelter to the dogs of New Orleans. Dog lovers will welcome this new collection of moving and poignant canine stories.

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Review Quotes for *Dogs Who Found Me*

"Generosity and gratitude power this compelling account of the reciprocal nature of rescue. Ken Foster illuminates a profound lesson about saving a life: Doing it makes you able to do it."

-Amy Hempel, author of *The Dog of the Marriage and Reasons to Live*

"I read this at once, and could hardly bear to put it down. This is a wonderful, strange book, beautiful and funny and moving. It delivers something crucial about bravery, the human spirit, and the place that dogs occupy in our landscapes. It's about confronting need, vulnerability and love, and responding."--Roxana Robinson

"Ken Foster writes about the human/canine bond with wisdom, insight, and great heart. This is a fascinating and useful book, full of great stories and practical knowledge every dog lover needs. Ken's dogs are lucky to have found him, and so are his readers."

--Sean Wilsey, author of *Oh The Glory of it All*

"Foster's dogs are memorable, delightful characters, with vivid, poignant stories. THE DOGS WHO FOUND ME is a testament to the joys dogs bring, and to the beauty in the work of saving them."

--Rene Steinke, National Book Award finalist for *Holy Skirts*

"If you love dogs as much as Ken Foster, you will probably recognize yourself in much of *The Dogs Who Found Me*. You will remember your heart stopping or being shredded... only to be repaired with an even greater capacity to love."

--Terry Bain, author of *You Are A Dog*

"Pitbulls pitbulls pitbulls, and a man, like me, who loves them. Alternately brutal and sentimental, like the lives of the dogs he rescues. A very very cool book." --James Frey, author of *A Million Little Pieces* and *My Friend Leonard*

"This book isn't about Foster as much as it's about his dogs, who help him through 9/11, a heart condition that lands him in the hospital and the deaths of two good friends...Interspersing vignettes on topics such as missing dog posters, shelters, heartworms and understanding dogs' body language, Foster fleshes out this charming account of a life among dogs while providing hints for would-be dog savers."--Publisher's Weekly Review; "The book's conversational, straightforward prose is one of its strengths. And Foster's powers of observation and eye for meaningful detail elevate what he has to say above the level of the average memoir."--www.numag.neu.edu

(Northeastern University Magazine)

"...an absorbing and quirky memoir...Foster's style is blunt, funny and poignant. He smoothly melds the events of his turbulent life along with the gritty details of rescuing abandoned dogs into a piece that goes to the heart."-- *San Francisco Chronicle*

"...[a] beautiful and funny account of dog love...This light, deeply

felt chronicle puts that best-selling confection 'Marley & Me' in the shade."-- Plain Dealer "Foster's book might sound dangerously warm and fuzzy, but it maintains an edge of wisdom and self-awareness...Foster has led an untidy life, and he's lucky his pets have taught him the value of letting things get messy."-- Sarah Goodyear, Time Out New York (review)

"... (a) warm, candid, and unusual account..." --Booklist

"There are people who like dogs, there are dog lovers, and then there are dog people. *The Dog's Who Found Me* is a book about dog people."--*The Oregonian* (review)

"The book is far from overwhelming or overly ambitious; it succeeds as what it is: a plainspoken, sincere account of one man's direct experience with the mutual condition of rescue."--*Bark* magazine (review)

"This book is for everyone--not just dog lovers. Foster recounts his doggie and human adventures in a readable, humorous, touching style. The reader can feel his empathy, concern and humanity as he tells of his rescues, his requited love of the dogs he finds, and the wonderful things they have taught him."--*Best Friends Magazine* (review)

"...touching collection of essays and insights..."--*Mississippi Magazine* (review)

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