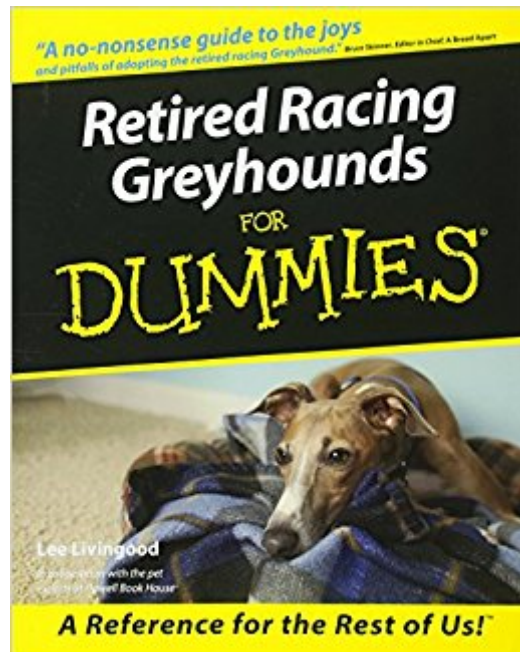




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# Retired Racing Greyhounds For Dummies



## Synopsis

“The next best thing to having an experienced Greyhound owner living with you.”  
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•Hal and Karen Hawley, Greyhound Friends Northwest The Greyhound has been celebrated in song and legend for thousands of years. Nowadays, Greyhounds are bred almost exclusively for racing. In the bad old days, prior to the 1980s, dogs that didn’t make the grade at the track, and those past their primes, were destroyed. According to official estimates, 60,000 of these noble, mild-mannered dogs were destroyed each year! Fortunately, a number of organizations now exist devoted to rescuing these unwanted dogs and placing them in good homes. Thinking about adopting a retired racing Greyhound? Or maybe you’re already sharing your life with one of these charming animals. Either way, this friendly guide tells you everything you need to know to: Understand the Greyhound personality Find a retired racing Greyhound to adopt Choose the right ex-racer for you and your family Educate yourself and your retired racer Give your new pal the diet and exercise it needs Keep your dog healthy and happy for years to come With plenty of good humor and straight-talk, Lee Livingood drawing on her forty-years of experience training adult rescue dogs to cover all the pros and cons of being a retired racing Greyhound owner, and she fills you in on: The amazing 8000-year history of the Greyhound Deciding whether an ex-racer is the right do for you and your family Physical and behavioral characteristics How to get a retired racer used to living in a home and be a companion Dealing with common behavioral and health problems Feeding, grooming, and exercising a Greyhound Fun things to do with your hound Bursting with expert advice on all aspects of living with an ex-racer, Retired Racing Greyhounds For Dummies is must reading for anyone considering adoption or who’s already taken the leap.

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I bought this book in preparation for adopting a retired racing greyhound and appreciate the detailed care information provided, such as acclimating a "needlenose" to his new home, feeding, grooming, and behavior cues. It is especially heavy on training techniques (this section was quite "dog eared" by the previous owner) and it will probably serve as a great reference book once we begin working with the personality of our own dog. There's a lot of information out there on greyhounds and I felt that this one filled some of the practical gaps that others lack. I've also picked up some crucial information from other books that this one didn't include (such as a detailed explanation of a greyhound's life at the track), so I definitely encourage including this book in your research but not relying on it completely for everything you may need to know while preparing for your grey.

This book is good for someone either wanting to know more about retired Greyhounds or who are wanting to adopt a Greyhound. Lots of great in!

just remember your greyhound didn't read this book!

This is a cheap, comprehensive guide to bringing a race dog from the track into YOUR home, even if you have never owned a dog before. It covers all aspects of adopting one as well as health issues that may be present when you get him, or you may never encounter - (but if you do you have the book as a good resource to work with it). Greyhound adoption is different in that the dog has not experienced socializing or living in the human environment before and they are full grown adults usually when you get one, so there is an adjustment period that can be trying for both the dog and the human. However, these gentle giants (some may be "small giants") are the most gentle, independent, loving pet one could wish for and this book is a great guide book that will help the new owner understand the dog better.

If you are considering adopting a racing greyhound you need to be as informed as possible. This book is one that is extremely informative and thought provoking.

For anyone who has ever thought of bringing a retired racer into your home, I encourage you to do it post-haste! This book is a great beginners guide to everything you need to know to help your retired racer learn to be a dog. Greyhounds are big affectionate skinny lovers, and lazy as any cat I've ever met. This book helped me bond with my greyhound and we've been living happy days together ever since.

Great book! Required reading for the Greyhound rescue group I am interested in.

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