



VALENTINE'S DAY

Have you thought of a gift for your valentine? After all Valentine's Day it's just around the corner... and we've got a funny idea for you! Our 2014 calendar is a success, and we thought that you could offer it to your better half. Just fill it up with love messages throughout the whole year and it will make he or she smile for several days! All while you help improving the quality of life of hundreds of dogs...



FEVEREIRO
FEBRUARY 2014

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Esta agenda ocorre principalmente na América Latina e nos países mediterrâneos, incluindo Portugal, Espanha, França, Itália, Grécia e Irlanda.
This calendar occurs mainly in Latin America and the Mediterranean countries, including Portugal, Spain, France, Italy, Malta and Greece.

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WE NEED FLIGHT SPONSORS...

We're always needing volunteers to help out at the shelter. But you can also volunteer occasionally as a **flight sponsor!** What does it mean? Well, if you go on holidays and fly to the locations where we have homes for our dogs you can take a dog with you. We take care of the organisation of everything on both ends, you simply need to transport the dog. We are looking for flights from Lisbon to: Oslo, Copenhagen, Stockholm, Brussels, Amsterdam, Frankfurt and Milan.



BOM NATAL E FELIZ ANO NOVO!
MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR!
FRÖHLICHE WEIHNACHTEN UND EIN GUTES NEUES JAHR!
GLÆDELIG JUL OG GODT NYTÅR!
GOD JUL OCH GOTT NYTT ÅR!
JOYEUX NOËL ET BONNE ANNÉE!
BUON NATALE E FELICE ANNO NUOVO!
GOD JUL OG GODT NYTT ÅR!
¡FELIZ NAVIDAD Y PRÓSPERO AÑO NUEVO!
HYVÄÄ JOULUA JA ONNELLISTA UUTTA VUOTTA!

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2014

A new year, new challenges for DOP. Of course our usual work will continue: adoptions, DOP pharmacy and the Canine Rehabilitation Group will get their hands dirty like always. But we do promise some news for the starting year. In a few days we'll have two Dutch volunteers. They will be our first international volunteers of the year and both will stay for six weeks, performing the day-to-day tasks at Cantinho da Milu's shelter (cleaning, dog hygiene and dog walking) as well as sociabilization of dogs in need of. Spring will bring a new Sterilization Project, that will give us the chance to sterilize dozens of cats and dogs in a short period of time. It's our much-needed contribution to the pet overpopulation problem! DOP pharmacy will be extremely busy this year with the Vaccination Project. They are already in the second phase and pretend to soon move on to the third and final phase. In total over 500 dogs from Cantinho da Milu's shelter will be vaccinated! DOP Against Leishmaniasis will have new challenges coming up, all thanks to the huge success of this year DOP calendar! But of course none of the above will be possible without your help and support to animals in general and particularly DOP. Therefore please keep following our work and news, or even come for a day at the shelter! Only together we can make the difference! All in all, we are ready for an excellent 2014.



LAST MONTH ADOPTIONS

In December 2013 a total of 19 animals were adopted!

The lucky ones were: Bambi (now Milka), Bianca, Brownie, Caramelo, Dog (now Charlie), Emy, Flôr, Inca, Indy, Jackie, Kayo, Maia (now Bruna), Manchinha, Martinha (now Tinha), Pinkie, Tiga, Tigre, Tika and Flôr.

If you have adopted a dog or a cat from us, give us news!



WE ARE ALWAYS IN NEED OF...

- Deworming tablets
- Spot-on against fleas and ticks such as *Advantix* and *Frontline* and also *Advocate* for dogs with skin allergies
- *Scalibor* collars
- *Actidox* and *Becozyme* for treatment of tick fever and *Conofite* and *Oridermyl* for treatment of ear infections
- Medication with *Allopurinol* as an active ingredient

A SMALL STEP FOR THE PORTUGUESE, A GIANT LEAP FOR PETS

Until last December Portuguese Law forbade violence against animals, but there was no indication of sanctions for non-compliance, unless the animal had an "owner" and the owner claimed propriety damages.

This void in the law existed since 1995, the year in which this particular law was approved, and since then no change was done to it.

It took 18 years, but on December 6, 2013 this problem was finally addressed, and it was approved by the Portuguese Parliament a maximum of three years in jail and/or fines that can go up to 5000€ (60k if enterprise). More important than the actual sanctions is that they will be implemented by simple cruelty to a pet, therefore ending the association with a propriety status. Pets gain the right to not suffer any kind of violence, regardless of who practices it.

It was also given to legally established animal charities the opportunity to require authorities and courts the necessary actions to end a running or eminent criminal act against a pet.

Despite this important and necessary step, this law left out some practices, such as bullfighting, animal circuses, hunting and sport fishing.



DIY DOGTOY

What you'll need:

Old stretchy shirts (several colors will make a colorful toy!)

Scissors



1. Cut the shirts into strips of about 1,5 cm wide and 60cm's long. The more the merrier!
2. Hold them together and tie a knot at the top.
3. Start braiding. Play with the colors!
4. Braid until you are almost at the end. Then tie a knot.
5. Cut the fringes at the end.
6. Give it to your dog and let the fun begin!

