

Choosing to adopt a pet is a great decision!



Not only are you able to give a shelter animal a home, you will get to enrich your life and make your community better and pet-friendly!

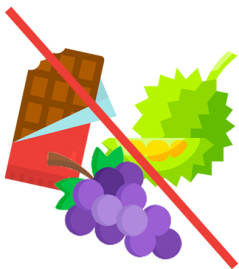
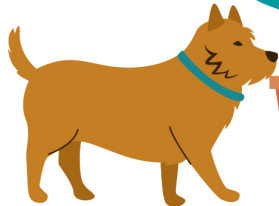
Here are 5 things to consider when adopting a pet:

1 Choose the right pet

- Consider you and your family's lifestyle, needs and preferences before deciding on the type and size of pet
- Speak to an adoption counselor, previous owner or foster families to find your right match

2 Be prepared ahead of time

- Plan for the arrival of your pet; do your research to understand its needs
- Get your home ready for your new pet and gather supplies early



3 Create a pet-friendly space

- Set up a dedicated space for your pet
- Store medication and dangerous foods away
- Put away electric cords, trash and cleaning supplies
- Remove toxic or poisonous plants

4 Arrange for regular vet care

- Visit the vet for a health check and arrange for necessary vaccinations
- Routine checkups can protect your pets from life-threatening conditions by detecting diseases early



5 Be prepared for emergencies

- Ensure your pet wears collars and tags with up-to-date contact information
- Introduce your pet to the neighborhood to help pets and people in communities familiarize with one another