

Tangens Whippets

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Summer is travel time

Tangens Prince of Nucleotides (litter 06) travelled to National Parks in June together with his owners Christiane Huebner and Jan Votzke and their friends. Christiane writes: "When we start to pack our stuff, Prince always sits at the front door, making sure that he is coming with us and is not left behind. When we arrive at a hotel, or here in the RV, he jumps immediately onto the bed or seat to claim it as his home."



"There were a few things we had to deal with: We drove through four states and most of the time we could bring Prince to the sights, but dogs are not allowed on the trails in the National Parks. The other thing was the heat. The ground was so hot that he would have needed shoes!

All in all, it was a really nice trip, and we loved to have Prince with us!"

Wonder about Prince's coat? It is an ad promoting the owner's company.



Prince at a Greyhound station along old Route 66



Prince in Monument Valley

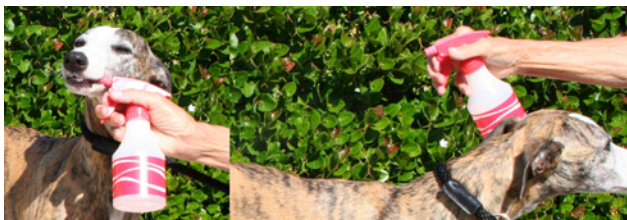
Tangens Moon Over Maverick (litter 2007) and **CH Tangens Antonio Vivaldi** (litter 2011) and owners Marilyn and Bob Riffle are driving across the country to their new home in North Carolina. The car is filled with dog crates, dog beds, dog food, dog toys. "What else is there to bring!" says Bob. - Maybe a list of Motel 6....



My husband Erkki keeps telling me that I should not place dogs with people who move away from California; I lose friends and contact with the dogs. But how would I know, and what can I do! We both hope those of you who moved will move back.

Travel safely!

Keeping dogs cool and hydrated when traveling in hot weather requires preparation.



Bring lots of water and towels that can be soaked in water. A spray bottle can be very useful. This is what the professional handlers use at dog shows when it is hot to keep the dogs cool.

Bring a first aid kit and antihistamine (Benadryl) for insect and snake bites.

If possible, travel early in the morning or late in the evening, rather than during the hottest part of the day; have your air conditioning serviced regularly; never leave dogs unattended in a closed vehicle.

Don't lose your dog while traveling! The dog should be micro chipped AND wear a collar with identification. Keep a copy of the rabies certificate in the glove compartment.

A dog loose in the car is a danger to itself and you; it may turn into a projectile in case of an accident. The dog is safest in a crate, preferable a metal crate with more than one door. The safest crate ever made is Variocage (safedog.co.uk/cratesizes.htm).

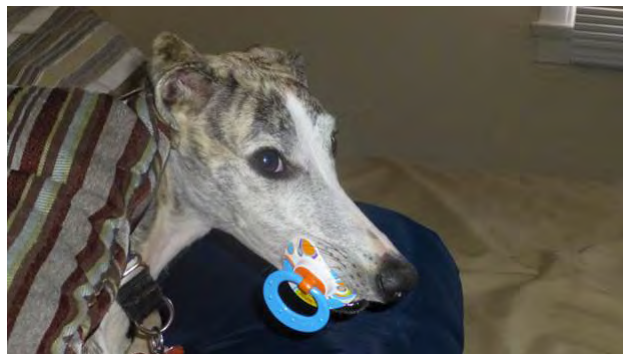
Dog harnesses may not be as safe as you think. See video at centerforpetsafety.org/research.

Vivaldi is the proud father of a litter of nine, born June 18



Sarah Balkam, Kamio Whippets, is the breeder of the four males and five females with some amazing color patterns. You may follow their development on her web site www.kamiowhippets.com

Where did she find it?



No matter, she knew what to do with it. She is ***Tangens Sabrina*** from litter 2008, owned by Sally Besser, who also owns "***Sadie***", ***Tangens I feel Pretty*** from litter 2011.

Neutered dogs live longer

A new study of over 40,000 dogs shows that dogs that are neutered or spayed as young adults live 20% longer than intact dogs. That means an additional couple of years for Whippets. One exception is the Golden Retriever breed. Golden Retrievers tend to gain weight if neutered and may therefore be more prone to hip dysplasia and cancer.

Tangens Maverick on Mars



"Mars" is from the litter 07. Owner Donna Kolodziejski writes: "Mars knows that he is the king of this household and we are just here to care for him and pay the rent. We get lots of 'ooooh, he is beautiful', children love to pet him, and he is very tolerant. He is very healthy. He has never had an accident and he still uses his crate – like a teenager going to his room to get away or just in general to be in his own room."

Tangens Maverick Astronaut

"Tiger" is the twin brother of Mars above. Darin and Mel Marx are the owners. Darin sent this picture:



"Tiger apparently believed that Hanz would not sleep well without a Whippet directly on top of him."

Whippets waiting for leftovers



"Fess Parker", Tangens King Of The Wild Frontier from the movie litter of 05, is the one on the right. One of many funny pictures from owner Diane Dalby.

Watching TV



"Lettie", Tangens Let Me Entertain You, litter 2011, is keeping owner Lynn Anderson company in front of the TV.

Thank you all for sharing your Whippet stories and pictures with the rest of Tangens Alumni.

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