



SPECIMEN
FOR THE
TYPEFACE

Elena

extended edition

Dear
Charlie,

ELENA

Latin • *Italic* • Ελληνικά

Elena was designed to perform well under two contrasting usage scenarios: both text-intensive and display settings. Its low stroke contrast makes this range of use possible without the face becoming brittle at text sizes or chunky and awkward at display sizes. The overall proportions are slightly condensed making it an economical face, but a strong horizontal movement in the forms keeps the overall feeling open and generous. Its high x-height and open counters making it very legible, especially at small sizes.

The typeface Elena is the product of an intensive year of study at the University of Reading. This specimen is the record of both an achievement and a work in progress.

—*Nicole Dotin, July 2007*

CHARLIE IS THE BELOVED DOG OF ERIC & NICOLE

It didn't take long for them to realize he was far too

charming and amiable

to keep to themselves—so they created a website called

LOVE, CHARLIE

where they post photographs of his escapades

IS THERE BETTER MATERIAL FOR A SPECIMEN THAN LETTERS TO YOUR DOG?

After four years of post(card)s

they asked Charlie's admirers to pen letters extolling his virtues

72 PEOPLE & A FEW DOGS KINDLY WROTE TO CHARLES

Letters from America

were the most abundant, however people wrote from all over

Australia, Belgium, Canada, Estonia

GERMANY, THE NETHERLANDS, NORWAY, POLAND, SOUTH AFRICA, THAILAND

THE UNITED KINGDOM

ακόμα περιμένουμε από την Ελλάδα



To:
Charlie
From:
Kayla



I saw you online.

It's clear you're a sensitive guy who loves long walks, chewing toys, snuggling, a plush blanket and a quiet evening with your people.

I've been watching you from afar for years now. Interested in friendship (or maybe more?) with a like-minded fellow.

IS IT TIME WE MET?

I am a SBF living in the States, but I think destiny can overcome distance.

Do you enjoy having your tummy rubbed, exploring the olfactory elements, and tidbits of people food...

(even tastier when snatched from the hands of small children)?

If so, let's cross leashes.

[#49] LETTER *from* COBOURG, ONTARIO, CANADA

7/9

CHARLIE, I come to see you every day. And... I'm not really sure why. I think partly because of the photography, the fact that someone has taken so much time to be patient with you, patient with themselves, in order to find something that reflects you. A dog! ¶*I love that you're 'my online dog' with no messes or feedings to take care of, that you're still there at the end of my busy day, reflecting more often than not my own sentiments of the day's happenings.* ¶I came to see the cute coats made by your owner and got caught up in the story of you.

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[#21] EXCERPT *from* TINA OF PHOENIX, ARIZONA

Will it be too confusing for [Charlie] to

6/8

Beautiful greyhound
Your adventures make me smile
You brighten my day!

[#1] RACHAEL, ENGLAND, UK

Oh Charles. Who knew that
Italian Greyhounds could squint
So adorably?

[#8] BETHANY, NEW BEDFORD, MA

Charlie crosses pond
And takes Old Blighty by storm
Throw the ball Eric!

[#62] BRIDGET NELSON, ST PAUL, MN

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find out there is another Prince Charles?

Mischievous face
Antics always make me smile
Stylish ball-fetcher

[#36] JENNIFER

Basking, Charlie lies
Peanut roasting in the sun
Sets our hearts aglow.

[#38] ROOSIE-ROO & LUCY-LOO,
SAN ANTONIO, TX

Travelling greyhound
He has seen the world, but he
Only wants to sleep.

[#40] LIA & SOLO, PALO ALTO, CA



DUTCH [#19] LETTER *from* ROTTERDAM, THE NETHERLANDS

LIEVE CHARLIE, Bijna dagelijks kijk ik naar je, ook al weet je dat misschien niet. Jij (of eigenlijk je baasje) gunt mij iedere dag een blik in jou bestaan. Lekker slapen in de zon op je fleecche-dekentje, kroelen met je baasje, of lekker buiten spelen met je bal. Op dat laatste punt na allemaal heel herkenbaar van mijn eigen siameesjes, misschien vind ik je daarom zo leuk. Jullie hebben veel gemeen.

Eigenlijk is het gek, want ik ben geen hondenuitdrukker. Maar Charlie, jij bent wel lief! En bovendien online aanwezig, wat het veel makkelijker maakt om je lief te vinden. Ik ruik je niet, ik hoor je nooit blaffen, ik hoef je niet uit te laten, niet met een poepzakje achter je aan te kuieren en geen hondenvoer klaar te maken voor je. Je bent de ideale online-hond, ik zie alleen je goede en schattige momenten.

Ik hou van Charlie!!! *Liefs, Agnes*

ESTONIAN [#70] LETTER *from* ESTONIA

TERE CHARLIE! Vaatan su pilte tööarvutist iga päev ja mõtlen oma italiaano peale, kes ootab mind kodus. Oled peaaegu sama armas kui tema! *Kõike head, Maarit*

FRENCH [#16] LETTER *from* MIAMI, FLORIDA, USA

OUAF... sniff-sniff. Léchouille. Sniff. Bark bark ouaf. Ouaf! Ouaf ouaf ouaf. Ouaaaaf arf ouaf. *Léchouille, Ouaf*

(*traduction*)

CHER CHARLIE, J'adore ton site. Tu es tellement plus photogénique que moi (je suis trop noir je suppose, pas assez contrasté). De plus, tu as de super vêtements. Et tu fais des choses amusantes. J'adorerais jouer à "fetch" quand tu seras de retour aux États-Unis. *Viens me trouver, Lèche de chiot, Bello*

GERMAN [#41] LETTER *from* BERLIN, GERMANY

LIEBER CHARLIE, von all den vielen Internetseiten, die im Laufe eines Arbeitstages auf meinem Bildschirm erscheinen, ist Deine immer die netteste und sehr oft auch die am besten gemachte!

Jedes neue Kalenderblatt ist ein Lächeln wert – wie könnte ich da zögern, mich mit einem kleinen „Liebesbrief“ zu bedanken. *Liebe Grüße, Dorothee*

NORWEGIAN [#63] LETTER *from* NORWAY

JA! VI ELSKER CHARLIE! Han er en veldig søt hund og vi skal savne han. Charlie har så mye fin klær, f.eks han har mange små hund jakker. Han er ren kult. Men Charles er ikke bare ei Mode-Gud! 'Chuck' like også å spise alt mulig, men spesielt han er veldig glad nå kaldtbord fra Mr Cod er på menyen. Ingen vet hvor mye gammel torsk og pølse han har plukt opp fra gaten. Æsj! V&M

POLISH [#60] LETTER *from* KRAKÓW, POLAND

DZIEŃ DOBRY CHARLIE, oglądam codziennie Twoją stronę internetową (Dlaczego nie pojawiaasz się w soboty? Czy jesteś Żydem i obchodzisz Szabat?). Chciałabym też mieć swoją stronę, ale moja pani nie umie jej zrobić. Robi mi czasami zdjęcia, przeważnie nieostre, bo bardzo nie lubię pisków aparatu i od razu pędzę, żeby go polizac. Mieszkam z czarną labradorką Maliną i rudym kocurem Gustawem. A ja mam na imię Mrówka, co w języku Twoich Państwa znaczy “ant”. Jestem dużo większa od Ciebie, bo jestem bouvierem. Ponieważ wychowałam się z labradorką, lubię aportować piłeczkę i chętnie pobawiłabym się z Tobą. Ale mieszkasz tak daleko... Dobrze, że jest Internet! Inaczej nigdy byś się nie poznali. *Pozdrawiam Cię czule, Mrówka z Krakowa*

Dear Charlie,
I'm thinking of
getting a dog.
Love, Lorinda
A cat owner

[#44] ΕΠΙΣΤΟΛΗ ΑΠΟ ΝΕΑ ΥΟΡΚΗ

Αγαπητέ Τσάρλι

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ΜΟΥ ΛΕΙΠΕΙΣ ΤΑ ΣΑΒΒΑΤΑ

Ο δικτυακός σου τόπος είναι ο αγαπημένος μου

ΝΑΙ-ΚΟΚΚΙΝΙΖΩ, ΑΛΛΑ ΣΤΟ ΚΑΤΩ-ΚΑΤΩ ΣΟΥ ΓΡΑΦΩ ΡΑΒΑΣΑΚΙ

με αγγαλιές και φιλιά

ΚΑΤ ΜΑΚΚΕΝΕΪ, ΝΕΑ ΥΟΡΚΗ, ΗΠΑ

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[#18]

LETTER

from

PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA

[#18]

ΕΠΙΣΤΟΛΗ

από

ΦΙΛΑΔΕΛΦΕΙΑ, ΠΕΝΣΥΛΒΑΝΙΑ

Dear Charlie,

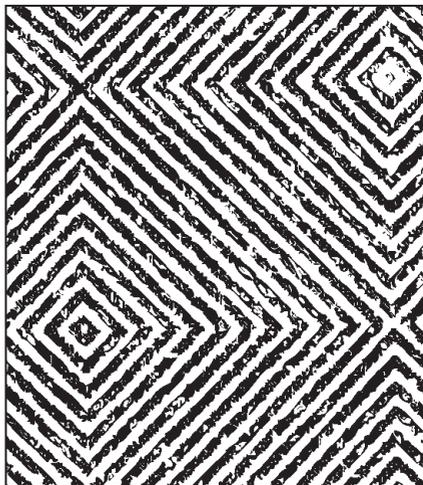
Αγαπητέ Τσάρλι,

I HAVE FOLLOWED YOUR adventures almost every day for the past two years. Despite the fact that I am a grown-up, I have a deep love of small, cute animals. It may not sound like a compliment to you, but you share several physical and personality traits with my beloved Oriental Shorthair cat. You are both very slim, with big ears, long whippy tails and a tendency to get cold even when it is 70 degrees. She also likes to burrow under blankets and nap in sunspots. She used to enjoy being outside, terrorizing the local wildlife, but has moved to the city and cannot go out any more.

I have spent considerable time in England and I must say I was worried about your reaction to the weather. It seems you have handled it with your usual grace and aplomb. Since your owners seem terribly busy, I sometimes let myself

ΑΚΟΛΟΥΘΩ ΤΙΣ ΠΕΡΙΠΕΤΕΙΕΣ σου καθημερινά τα τελευταία δύο χρόνια. Παρά το ότι είμαι μεγάλη, έχω μεγάλη αδυναμία στα μικρά, χαριτωμένα ζώα. Μπορεί να μη σου φαίνεται κομπλιμέντο, αλλά μοιάζεις σε πολλά, στην εμφάνιση και στη συμπεριφορά, με την αγαπημένη μου γάτα Ανατολής. Είστε και οι δύο πολύ αδύνατοι, με μεγάλα αυτιά, μακριές πεταχτές ουρές, και κρυώνετε ακόμα κι όταν έξω έχει 20 βαθμούς. Ακόμα, της αρέσει να χώνεται κάτω από τις κουβέρτες και να χουζουρεύει στον ήλιο. Της άρεσε να είναι έξω και να τρομοκρατεί τα διάφορα ζωντανά, αλλά μετακόμισε στην πόλη και δε μπορεί να βγαίνει έξω πια.

Έχω περάσει αρκετό καιρό στην Αγγλία (England) και ομολογώ ότι ανησυχούσα για την αντίδρασή σου στον καιρό. Φαίνεται όμως ότι χειρίστηκες το θέμα με τη συνήθη σου χάρη και αυτοπεποίθηση.



hope that they may need to find another home for you. Say, a nice sunny place in Philadelphia where a dog-like cat lives? My husband does not think this is likely, as your owners do seem quite attached to you. However, I thought I would extend the offer just in case.

Thanks to you and your people for sharing a little bit of your life to make others smile, even on very bad days.

ALL THE BEST,
Rachel F.

Μιας και τα αφεντικά σου είναι πολύ απασχολημένα, σκέφτομαι καμιά φορά ότι μπορεί να χρειαστεί να βρουν νέο σπίτι για σένα. Τί θα έλεγες για ένα ηλιόλουστο μέρος στη Φιλαδέλφεια (Philadelphia) παρέα με μια γάτα που μοιάζει με σκύλο; Ο σύζυγός μου δε νομίζει ότι έχω πολλές ελπίδες, καθώς τα αφεντικά σου δείχνουν να σε αγαπούν ιδιαίτερα, αλλά στο γράφο για κάθε περίπτωση.

Σε ευχαριστώ, εσένα και τους ανθρώπους γύρω σου, που μοιράζεσαι ένα μικρό κομμάτι της ζωής σου για να κάνουν τους άλλους να χαμογελάσουν, ακόμα κι αν η μέρα δεν είναι καθόλου καλή.

ΜΕ ΤΙΣ ΚΑΛΥΤΕΡΕΣ ΕΥΧΕΣ ΜΟΥ,
Ρέιτσελ Φ.

The complete set of letters...

The original edition of *Dear Charlie*, contained only a small portion of the letters written to Charles for academic reasons. However, Charlie insisted that the original edition be extended to include every letter. In this section, you'll find the complete set presented in the order they were submitted.

[#1] *See page 8*

[#2] OMAHA, NEBRASKA

Dear, dearest Charlie: You are BEAUTIFUL boy! and a joy to read about each day. I wish you the happiest of times in the UK and a safe journey home again. Brenda

[#3] TAMPA, FLORIDA

My husband has Charlie as his homepage. We found Charlie, because we have an IG too. We enjoy seeing the similar behaviors between Charlie and our Odie. ¶We have been tracking Charlie since early 2005 we were especially concerned about how he would handle the trip to England. ¶Many times at dinner I ask my husband, "How's Charlie today?" (My work does not allow outside pages to be on our systems, so I don't keep up everyday.) But on weekends I catch up with Charlie by going backwards in the calendar. *So, we love Charlie too. Nancy Petry*

[#4] TEXAN LIVING IN BRISBANE, AUSTRALIA

I read and watch Charlie because it gives me an image I can return to when my day drags or becomes painful. I love his eyes when he

squints in a sunbeam. ¶I found him from Cute Overload and have watched him since. *I love Charlie! Katy*

[#5] LITTLE FALLS, MINNESOTA

I first discovered Charlie after seeing him in a web search article in the *Minneapolis Star Tribune*. I haven't missed a day since. ¶Why I love him probably has as much to do with his owners as it does with him. It is because he is well attended to, well groomed, given ample affection and exercise, and you can tell just from his pictures that he knows that he is loved wholeheartedly. As all dogs should be. *Affectionately, Dana*

[#6] TAMPA BAY, FLORIDA

I saw your mom wanted us to write you a love letter & I must say I'm happy to do so. I come to lovecharlie.org every day since I have found the site just to see what's going on in your world. I like to see you happy & love it when there's a cute pic. I dread Saturdays because I know that day is the off day, so I wait 'til Sunday in hopes of something to brighten my morning. *Cheers to you & your joyful life, Kelly*

[#7] VERMONT & DETROIT

Woof. Rrruff! Grrruff arrr rooo rooo! Woof woof, rrruff. Aaaa roo roo woof grrrrr woof woof. Woof woof ruff. Roo aaar woof woof woof. Ruff!

Well, for those of you who can't understand, Mugsy has asked that I translate her message:

Charlie, Hi! I absolutely loved today's [June 18, 2007] picture as well as the chance to write to you. I've been following your page since seeing it on Yahoo! Picks a while back. My human showed it to me and I thought you were pretty cool. It's fun to see your many adventures and various outfits and comfortable bedding ensembles. I also love that you have as much personality as I do! Watching your transition to living across the pond has helped me fight my own anxiety. See, my human moved away six weeks ago to Detroit for a great job offer but I'm still stuck here in Vermont with my dad. Luckily he is joining mommy later this week in Michigan and so my brother, Spike (the cat) and I will be living with BOTH our humans again for real - I couldn't be happier. Besides the connection I feel to your move, here are my top five reasons why your site is the homepage on our computers:

1. You won us over when your human, Nicole, posted the Sony Bravia commercial with the bouncy balls.
2. The pictures of you in your life jacket
3. The pictures of your injuries (I myself have run into trouble a few times)
4. The picture of you at the top of the stairs when your human (Eric) commented on the wallpaper (an all time fav)
5. Gotta love humans who get the importance of their dogs!

I look forward to following your adventures

more from my new home in downtown Detroit (my humans say I'm going to love city living!)
Your friend, Mugsy

[#8] *See page 8*

[#9] CLEVELAND, OHIO

Hi Charlie, I just wanted to tell you how much I enjoy looking at your pictures everyday. I travel quite a bit for work, therefore, my dog, LILI, a White German Shepherd has taken up residence with my parents. Since I do not get a chance to see her everyday, I make sure to look at your pictures to see what you are up to for the day. You always make me smile and sometimes make me laugh and give me that little piece of comfort that she gives me when she is around. ¶Not to mention that while you are an Italian Greyhound and LILI is a German Shepherd, you both do some of the same things and make the same silly faces. ¶Thank you for being you! Love, Jennifer

[#10] JOHANNESBURG, SOUTH AFRICA

Dear Charlie, I enjoy visiting your website everyday; your poignant pose and the colour and composition of your photos always express wonderful mischievous warmth and affection. Love, Michael

[#11] WAVERLY HALL, GEORGIA

Dear Charlie: You are the second dog I greet in the morning. My dog Prancer is a greyhound/great dane mix, but the only thing about her that is great dane are her ears. In every other way she is just like you, from the way she curls up, to her tennis ball fetish. You never fail to bring a smile to my face and I have forwarded your picture to all of my friends at one time or another. You are an internet icon. Love, Linda

[#12] LITTLE CANADA, MINNESOTA

Dear Charlie - I am happy to write you a love letter. I come back to your website every single

day just to see what you are up to and because your antics always makes me smile. I have a special interest because I also have an Italian Greyhound – also named Charlie! My Charlie is a blue and he is about a year older than you. I love my Charlie very much and can tell that your people are crazy about you. I hope you keep up your website forever and ever. *Penny*

[#13] *See page 6*

[#14] AUSTIN, TEXAS

Charlie, When I look into your adoring eyes I see my own reflected back to me. Words can not say how I feel about you. You show the world everyday, the way our breed lives life to the fullest. ¶I also, am an adored IG that has a life not quite as adventurous as yours, since I do not have the opportunity to travel the world as you do. I do however get to see the world through your eyes. ¶I could not wish for any more in my own life as I am loved beyond belief but it is most fun to go on adventures with/through you. ¶You are my favorite way to begin each day. *Here is the best to you, Sir Charles! Louie B.*

[#15] SEATTLE, WASHINGTON

I love “love, Charlie” so much because it’s clear how much his people love him. It’s a great break from the work world to think about a nice doggy enjoying life half way around the world. Charlie’s goofy adorable face communicates the unadulterated joy of being a dog! I’m allergic to dogs, so I can’t experience it in real life. It’s wonderful to share in Charlie’s life! *Thanks for keeping up the page! Lisa*

[#16] MIAMI, FLORIDA

Woof sniff-sniff, Lick sniff. Bark bark woof. Woof! Woof woof woof. Woof woof arf woof. Lick, Woof

(translation follows...)

Dear Charlie, Love your site. You’re so much more photogenic than I am (I guess I’m too black, no good contrast). Plus you have great clothes. And do fun things. I’d love to play fetch some time when you’re back in the States. Look me up. *Puppy licks, Bello*

Also on page 10, translated into French

[#17] MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA

Dear Charles, From the first moment I saw your sweet little face, I have looked to your website to brighten my day. I work in a stressful environment so I start my day by looking at your new picture over coffee. You never fail to make me laugh and smile! I often tell my friends to check out your website whenever I see a particularly funny picture of you. Every day I find myself saying, “I love that dog!” I only wish all your pictures could be published in a book so I can have a permanent copy. Whenever I’m feeling down, all I have to do is pull up your website and then all is right with the world again. I look forward to the day you return to the States all safe and sound. We look forward to seeing you soon! *Love, Kari, Ripley and Sophie*

[#18] *See page 14*

[#19] *See page 10*

[#20] BROOKFIELD, WISCONSIN

Little
One, so
Very
Endearing.

Captured our
Hearts
A day at a time.
Really,
Loving you
Is
Easy.

Love, Tiffany and Gino

[#21] PHOENIX, ARIZONA

Charlie, I really love you. Every morning Monday through Friday when I get to the office, I can't start my day before I see what you're up to. You are a better eye-opener than a cup of coffee. Mondays are a particularly special treat because I get caught up on what you did over the weekend. ¶I don't even recall when I first met you, Charles, but it was a long, long time ago when you made a guest appearance on a website called Cute Overload. Well, it was love at first sight and I had to check out your own website then. I've been a fan ever since. When I first saw you, you were in your loft somewhere in Minnesota. When you and your folks left the city and went to stay with your grandparents for a while, and then to Eric's folks' place in the country, I have to admit I was really worried for you – you seemed so confused and bewildered. It was fun to see you adjust to your new digs and adapt to life as an explorer of the great outdoors. ¶Then, how stressful it was for your adoring fans as you and your family set off for England! Are they going to enjoy it there? Is Charlie going to be scared on the plane? Will Charlie meet new friends? Will he miss his grandparents? Will it be too confusing for him to find out there is another Prince Charles? Your travels across the pond have been fascinating, but I think we'll all breathe a sigh of relief when you return to the Colonies. ¶Why do I love you so, Charles? Maybe it's because your adorable personality shines in the photos that Nicole posts. Or because you wear your outfits so well. Or because you look so comfy on Eric's lap. No, I think it's because you live your life in a way that we should all strive for: complete with love and compassion, hugs and snuggles, a little exercise, a little rest, some toys, and a few treats. And, you're just doggone cute. *Love you, Tina*

Also excerpted on page 8

[#22] CHICAGO, ILLINOIS (& BELGIUM)

Charlie! We have loved you ever since we stumbled upon your website a couple years ago. I don't even remember how we came across it, but when I saw it I bookmarked it immediately. My parents have an Italian Greyhound named Gizmo who we just LOVE, and you remind me of him. So you are now linked onto our Pug Olive's blog and we look you up quite often to see what your up to. You're just super cute and hilarious in a Gizmo kind of way, so... we love Charlie! ¶Also, we thought it was kind of weird/cool that you guys moved from the US to Europe, like we did a few years before. I was reading and called to my husband... "Hey! Charlie's moving to England!" He goes... "who's Charlie?" haha :) But it's funny reading about the things you dealt with just like we did, the constant winter RAIN for example!

Love, Tiffany

www.olivethepug.blogspot.com

[#23] MINNESOTA

Dear Charles, I am writing to tell you why I return to your website day after day, week after week, month after month. It's because your humans so clearly delight in you! Every day they take your picture and post it on the site. I am impressed by their dedication and loving attentiveness to you and your needs. ¶Additionally, I, too, was a Minnesota transplant in the UK. Years ago I attended university at Birmingham. You probably haven't spent much, if any, time in B'ham – it's an industrial town without much to offer tourists – but it was my home. Later on I returned for graduate school at the University of London. ¶Then, too, there is your sweet face – sometimes mournful, sometimes totally absorbed by whatever it is you're doing. It's very fun to see what's happening in your world. ¶I'm owned by a standard poodle. Not the same as an IG, but still a sometimes funny sometimes

naughty always happy kind of guy. ♪Enjoy your days! *With love, Liz in Minnesnowtah!*

[#24] TROY, TEXAS

I first saw Charlie's pic on another site (cuteoverload) and he seemed so expressive. I followed the link, and now a visit about 3 times a week. I enjoy your calendar so much, and look forward to seeing what Charlie is doing. My favorite pictures are rare, but they are when Charlie has found some kleenex and is pre-occupied as you snap his photo. ♪It's amazing how an animal can become such a part of your life. I know Charlie has brought you both so much joy. Just know, he makes the rest of the world smile as well. *Hugs and Greenies, Jennifer Havins*

[#25] PALO ALTO, CALIFORNIA

Having moved to the big, bad city (San Francisco) I no longer get to see Solo, my Italian Greyhound, every day. She still lives with my parents. I started reading "Love Charlie" when I went away to college on the east coast – a separation that was even more difficult to bear. ♪Seeing Charlie never fails to make me smile (especially when I get my daily photo at work). Some of the expressions and events are uniquely his, but I love the wonderful IG-ness of the photos. I recognize Solo and her antics in Charlie and it brightens my day. *Love, Shawna (and Solo)*

[#26] ST PAUL, MINNESOTA

Dear Charlie, You are such a sly boy, sometimes coyly cuddled in a ball (preferably with a blankie) or on a lap, other times chasing a ball. At all times, you desire attention; being such a sweet guy, you deserve it! *Best, Rebecca*

[#27] SUGAR LAND, TEXAS

Dearest Charles, I love you because looking at you is like looking at bliss. Your quirky

elegance is like no other. From your pink spotted nose to your manicured toes, I love you like nobody knows! *Jean Stipelcovich*

[#28] RALEIGH, NORTH CAROLINA

Greenies are Green
Charlie is blue
We say hello to him
but not through a haiku

He doesn't like to swim
and loves to chew old gum
His name is really Charles
but shortened it for fun

If you like tennis balls
and pink dusters too
You could love Charlie
as much as we do

Thanks for the pictures, Pesto (IG) and Kim

[#29] NANAIMO, BRITISH COLUMBIA, CANADA

Dear Charlie,
I think you're addicting
You goofy dog with cute smile
Say "cheese" Charlie, please?
Love, Michelle

[#30] CHIPPEWA FALLS, WISCONSIN

Oh my dear Charlie you are such a noodle why do you choose me to humptydoodle
Michelle Scheidler

[#31] NORTH CAROLINA

C-money, You are one funny looking dog when your ears are all down and such. *Hugs, Monique*

[#32] LOWER BURRELL, PENNSYLVANIA

Dear Charlie, I can't even begin to tell you how much I enjoy seeing your little doggy mug every day. I always end up smiling after I view a rare snapshot of the elusive Charlie in his native (sort of) habitat! I also use your cuteness to try to persuade my boyfriend that an Ital-

ian Greyhound is just... mandatory. It hasn't worked yet, but I have faith. I am always excited to see what goofy or precarious position your parents manage to photograph you in! I've never been good with a camera, so I guess you could say I live vicariously through them. Keep sharing with us, Charlie. You brighten my life one snapshot at a time. *Much Love, Dana*

[#33] NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE

Dearest Charlie, I want you to know, in no uncertain terms, how very much you brighten the morning for me. With the help of your loving "parents," you're provided with all the creature comforts, including some great-looking wraps and blankets, and, of course, greenies! ¶You are a lucky little dog and you deserve it. Thanks for the delight you give us almost every day. *Love and best wishes, (Ms.) Deven Werthman*

[#34] BROOKLYN, NEW YORK

Dear Charlie,
 We live vicariously
 Through you
 Whether it be soaking up a patch of sun
 Or burrowing into a warm pile of laundry
 Your daily doings
 Fill us with joy
 And show us that love
 Exists
 Outside a realm of our own.
 Thank you Charlie!

Love, Ted, Julie & Olive

[#35] HOUSTON, TEXAS

Dear Charlie, I like to visit your website and look at your pictures because you remind me of my little dogs. They are English Toy Spaniels named Macallan, Auchentoshen, Talisker and Nicole. They are just as cute and indolent and sun-loving, but they don't wear clothes because they have much longer hair and live in a warm

city. ¶I hope you are enjoying England.
Your Fan, Crystal

[#36] *See page 8*

[#367] Chicago

Dearest Charles, I discovered your existence almost two years ago and have yet to meet (tangibly or otherwise) a more delightful Italian Greyhound! I look forward to your photos six days a week and learning about your escapades! I hope England is treating you well and the rain doesn't hamper your cheerfulness or ball-playing endeavors. ¶Much love and best wishes to you and your roommates.
Love, Caitlin Thomas

[#38] *See page 8*

[#39] WATERTOWN, MASSACHUSETTS

Chaaaaaaaaaarlle! Charlie, did you know that I pretend to be you sometimes?

burrow burrow burrow
 chase chase chase
 bask bask bask
 eat eat eat
 roo roo roo

Arroooooooooooooooooo!

Charlie, you are the most cutest, most pointiest, most – aaaaaw, so cutest! Aaaw! Charlie, Charlie, I'm so sad today. Are you cute today? Can you help me? Will you be cute for me?

Ohh! Look!

Charlie on blankets!
 Charlie under blankets!
 Charlie in the sun!
 Charlie by a tree!
 Charlie and a snack!
 Charlie and a ball!
 Charlie and a turtle!

[cont.]



Oh, Charlie, I'm so happy again!

Charlie? Oh, Charlie, where are you on a Saturday?

Damn Shabbat.

AAAAAAAAAAAAAAaw! Leilani

[#40] Palo Alto, CA

Haikus for Charlie!

i.

Silly iggy dog

Brings me daily happiness

Except Saturdays

ii.

Photographed all day

He acts bored, but we know he

Loves the attention

iii. *See page 10*

iv.

Charlie the rascal

Chews up bits of paper, but

He is just so cute.

v.

After a long day

Of running about with friends

He yawns, but he loves

vi.

I see the photos

Of smiling happy Charlie.

It makes me smile too

Love, Lia (and Solo)

[#41] *See page 11*

[#42] BANGKOK, THAILAND

Sawasdee, Charlie. *Love, Peace*

[#43]

Charlie, Thank you for sharing your days and nights with us. We enjoy seeing your site to

see what you are up to, and to see what's going on in England. Have a great summer!

Gizmo & Chloe

[#44] NEW YORK CITY

Dear Charlie, Saturday mornings make me sad.

Why?

Because there is no new photo of your beautiful self.

I miss you on Saturdays.

Your website is my favorite.

Yes – I'm gushing, but this is a love letter after all. *Hugs n' Kisses, Cat McKenney*

Also on page 13, translated into Greek

[#45] DELMONT, PENNSYLVANIA

Dear Charlie,

You are so Cool!

You Never seem to Drool

Our Human has Learned Much

About IGs and Such

From Your Daily Fun

Like How You Like to Run

And Sleep and Sun all Day

And Wear Cool Coats to Play!

Because of You She's Clear

That Our Ways are not so Weird!

We Love You! Allie and Buddy

[#46] ARVADA, COLORADO

I love you, Charlie. You are so stinking cute!

(I love your coloring.) ¶You remind me of my

IG, from your roasting in the sun, to your

obsession with tissues, to your thieving ways.

¶I can't wait to see what you are up to each day.

You are one fine dog! *Love, Darlene*

[#47] ROBBINSDALE, MINNESOTA

My human and I have followed your exploits

from the Twin Cities, to the lake house and

now to the UK. I'm stuck here in Robbinsdale wishing I could have some of your fun times. Although I have caught and played with squirrels which is way more exciting than watching the rain. I raced in Kansas City and now enjoy spooking the cats by running around in circles and tearing up the sod in the backyard. I am quite a bit bigger than you - 70 lbs - but very friendly. In fact, I have three IG friends who live on the next block. We hope you have more fun times before you come back. *Jada the Grey(t)hound and Audrey*

[#48] EVANSTON, ILLINOIS

Dear Charlie: We love, love, love you! ¶A friend told us about your site after we started our own picture a day projects last year and we've been checking in religiously ever since. ¶Our apartment does not allow for dogs and Mobley and Sparky, being parrots, aren't so sure they'd like a canine sibling anyway. So Charlie, you are the doggie fix for the humans in this household. *Love, Naomi, Kevin, Mobley and Sparky*

[#49] *See page 8*

[#50] CALIFORNIA

Charles, I've been observing your antics for a couple of years now, watching you carouse around and nibble on chewies and snuggle adorably betwixt blankets and pillows. I have trolled your archives and have seen the progression from totally edible puppy to assured, if rather gangly, dog. ¶Your floppy ears and prominent nose are cuter than a baby kitten nibbling on a cupcake. Your "Powersave Mode" expressions are Smithsonian-worthy in their awesomeness. Seeing you devour tissues with the voracity of a lion assures me that it's not only my own dog that possesses this unhealthy obsession with paper products. ¶Whenever

I'm having a bad day, I always pull up *love, charlie* to see what's going on in <s>Metro Minnesota</s>, <s>Rural Minnesota</s>, Jolly Old England and get a smile out of your goofy expressions. (As a graphic design student, I always peek at your parents' computer screens whenever they're in the shot to see what they're up to.) ¶So here's to you, Charlie, for being the greatest Italian Greyhound I never knew. *Love, Anna (and Wilson The Dog)*

[#51] MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA

Charlie, Charlie is so cute in a sweater or his birthday suit. Cuddled up under the sun, Charlie is such a lovable one. On a boat or in his home, Charlie likes to play and roam. In a field, fetching a ball... Charlie is the best of all! In MN and across the sea, Charlie makes us all happy. Adventurous, quirky, and just plain curious... If you don't love Charlie, you must be delirious! *Love, Jennifer Lien*

[#52] PHILADELPHIA

I have been a faithful follower of your site for a few years now. My Beans (Monkey, Jellybean and Stringbean are on your friends page) and I love tuning into your page daily to see what your up to. Sometimes when I'm away from my computer for a few days I get excited knowing I have a double or triple dose of Charlie days to check out. Sometimes when my Iggies are away it helps me feel closer to them when I see you. You also resemble my Monkey very much, and your birthdays are days apart and you are the same age. I wasn't sure how I felt about you and your family moving to the UK, I don't think your pictures are as vibrant due to the constant overcast days or the neutral decor of your new

home. I really love all your cozy blankets and beds and miss seeing your custom hats and coats your mommy made for you. You're like a distant pet of my own that I can watch grow daily. *Lots of kisses and greenies, Tanya*

[#53] TEXAS

Dear Charlie, I enjoy visiting your site often, to see what kind of fun and mischief you are up to. You seem to enjoy the same sorts of things that my two Iggys do. (Louie, who passed last December, and our new fella, Slugger.) Also, the cutest thing in the world to me is seeing your slender Iggy nose poking out from beneath a blanket. You IG's sure love your snuggly blankets. I hope you have a great day! Amanda

[#54] MERRITT ISLAND, FLORIDA

Dear Charlie, I love looking at your pictures everyday. If I didn't love Corgis so much I totally would have gotten an Italian Greyhound. I can't believe you got to move to London. I am super jealous. Stay cute, Maily

[#55] AUSTIN, TEXAS

Hello, Charlie. Talula (My Boston Terrier) and I love to look at your site. It makes us happy. ¶Although, I have to say, it's gotten me into a little bit of trouble as Talula would like to know why she doesn't have a site of her own... ¶We wish you many happy days and an endless supply of Greenies. Love, Raquel and Talula

[#56] SIOUX FALLS, SD

Hi Charlie, Just sending you a little love from Jinx, Jax and Abby. We all love seeing what you are up to everyday. We enjoy the same fun games of fetch in the park and laying in the sun spots around the house. We hope you keep enjoying your stay in England, it sure looks like you're having fun. Love, Jinx, Jax, Abby and our mom Heather

[#57] SEATTLE, WASHINGTON

Charlie - you make me smile every day. I love your expressive face and your transparent 'heel' area. The way you snuggle under the covers is charming. I am impressed by your fashion sense and wardrobe. Your humans are lucky to have you in their lives, and I think they know that! Warm regards from Seattle

[#58] BALTIMORE, MARYLAND

Charlie, My long time friend whom I don't see very often introduced me to you. I check on you not only because you are so adorable but it makes me feel connected to my friend who diligently checks on you! Cheers, Jackie

[#59] NEWARK, OHIO

*Oh Charlie, oh Charlie, you are the one!
Oh Charlie, oh Charlie, you are such fun!*

*And the melody goes on and on... My Italian Greyhounds, Piccolo and Daisy, and I read your letter every day. We love the photos and think you are such a handsome fellow! And you are so well traveled! My dogs are also comforted by knowing that you face some of the same trials they do... rainy days, boredom, running out of "greenies." Mostly you just make us smile!
Love, Linda D, Piccolo and Daisy*

[#60] *See page 11*

[#61] NEW YORK, NEW YORK

*Carlo, gentile tu sei;
Cane dolce che ha catturato mio cuore;
Adoro gli italiani.*

Translation:

*Charles, gentle you are;
Docile dog captured my heart
I love Italians.*

Baci ed abbracci, Bella the (German) Shepherd

[#62] ST PAUL, MINNESOTA
Charlie, These haikus are just for you:

ROUTINE

Small dog, lots of clothes
 My days start with Love, Charlie
 High octane treasure.

(*The other haiku is on page 8!*)

You're a great way to start my day! Bridget Nelson

[#63] See page 11

[#64] VIRGINIA BEACH, VIRGINIA
Ode To Charlie

Oh Charlie, you devilishly handsome, sweeter than southern tea little man! ♡What snuggle bug could compare to you? ♡You while away your days chasing balls in the park, visiting friends of both the furry and non-furry variety (you are, of course, an equal opportunity friend maker). Examining your parent's daily activities, you excel in your management position. And you are, as always, dressed to the nines! ♡What a bright spot you are in my daily routine. I look forward to your daily goings-on, which remind me where the true value of life lies. ♡Thank you, sweet Charlie, from the bottom of my non furry little heart. *Theresa (along with Mokie and Bella, my Iggies)*

[#65]

Bonjour charlie, tu es un beau chien. J'adore tu. Aime-tu jambon? Il est délicieux.

[#66] BALTIMORE, MARYLAND
Dear Charlie, I have enjoyed photos of your antics throughout the years. I particularly love your goofy "smile". *Yours, Carla, and her iggys Spike and Wiley*

[#67] See page 12

[#68] UPPER DARBY, PENNSYLVANIA
Dear Charlie,

My mommy tells me I am sleepy. Funny. A Snuggle bunny.

I chew. Chase. Beg. Bark.

I love ear rubs. Back scratches. But am not fond of black cats.

Favorites include chasing birds. Rawhide treats. 6 letters. Very sweet.

Oliver.

Love, Oliver

[#69] LOS ANGELES, CA

Dear Charlie, Remember when we used to play together? You liked to crawl up by our ears. We liked to rub your belly. It's okay with us if you can't recall those fun times. We're not trying to make you feel bad or anything. But boy, those are some happy memories! Anyways, it's been a long time and we miss you. Perhaps someday soon you will again be near enough to play with us and meet our dog Sandy. *Fondly, Erin and Devin*

[#70] See page 10

[#71] HALIFAX, NOVA SCOTIA

Bonjour Charlie, Je t'aime ton site web. Tu est un bon chien avec des poils gris et blanc. Tu as un grand sourire et je voudrais s'embrasser toi. *Adieu mon petit chou. Megan*

[#72] See back cover

[#73] CONCORD, NORTH CAROLINA
 (A love letter to Charles in Latin [Porcine])
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Iyay ovelay ouyay.

Iyay ooklay at ouyay everyyay ayday.

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