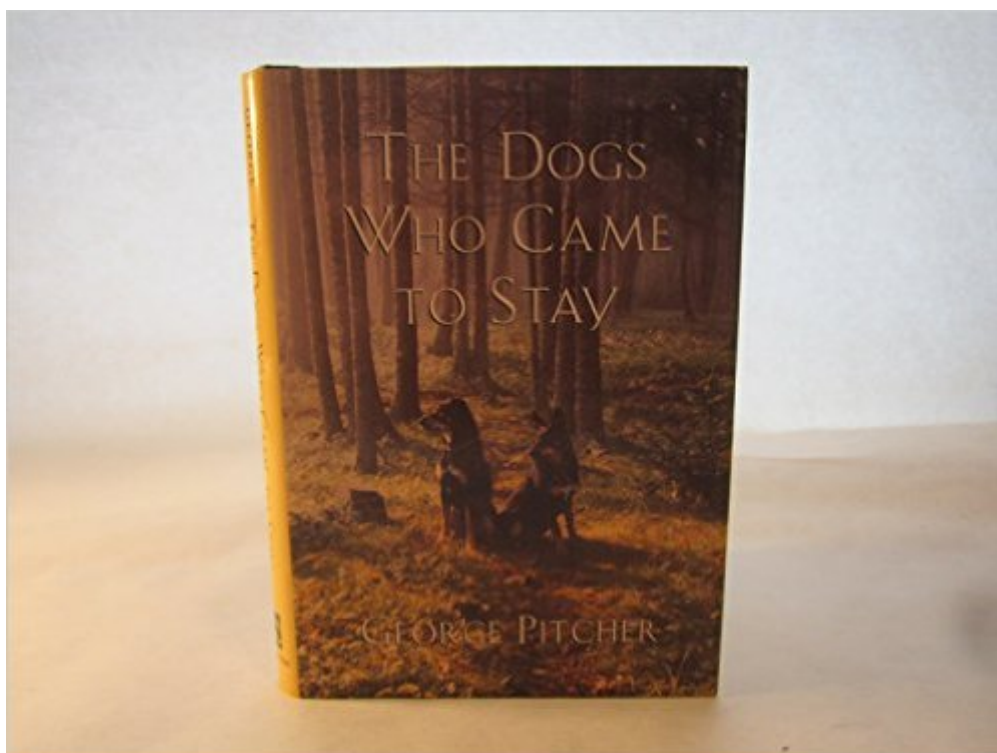


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# The Dogs Who Came To Stay



## Synopsis

In the vein of Cleveland Amory's *The Cat Who Came for Christmas*, a Princeton professor recounts how two stray dogs turned his and his fellow scholar's lives upside down, making them lifelong dog-lovers. 50,000 first printing.

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## Customer Reviews

I found this book at the book store on campus at Princeton University and was delighted to find the author George Pitcher was on faculty at that time. The book was totally fascinating and I was amazed the author's conveyance of the true feelings between man and his dog. Dogs give such unconditional love to their owners/masters but this book develops the reverse also. The men just love their dogs so unconditionally that my emotions were overwhelming. I cried for a half hour after I completed reading this beautiful story. What love.....taking the dogs to Europe on the QEII, cooking for them, caring for them in their old age. These men are true animal lovers. I wish Mr. Pitcher would write more about this subject. Absolutely one of my all time favorites and I read at least 100 books a year.

I stumbled upon this book in the library recently, and have since told all my friends they must read it!! I think the fact that it was written by a man made it even more special. It always surprises me when men show their feelings so openly and with total abandonment, eg: Nicholas Sparks, James Michael Pratt, to name a few... The love and devotion that these two Princeton professors had for these dogs was so intense. Their dedication to the animals was astounding and therefore

reciprocated in great abundance. Anyone who owns a dog, has ever owned a dog, or needs to be convinced of the immeasurable experience of owning a dog, needs to read this book. It touched me more than any story of animal/person unconditional love and devotion that I have ever read. A must read!

Several years ago I discovered this gem in a bookstore at the St.Louis airport when a connecting flight was cancelled. I sat in the food court, crying, and finished the entire book. Since then I have given 6 copies to dog loving friends for special occasions. This is a book to cherish, but it is not just about dogs. It's a wonderful account of the relationship of the two men who rescued the dogs, and to all who were involved in their extremely long and happy lives. The author is a philosopher, and the book is extremely well written and erudite, a commentary on the values that make life worth living - love, devotion, trust - the karma is the same for humans and canines. I have shared my life with eight dachshunds, and I recently buried my beloved Dieter with George Pitcher's eulogy-poem. Thank you, George and Ed.

It's always so nice to find other people that see animals in the same heavenly light. If my husband asked me to make a choice between him and my beloved dog - I'd pick the dog. The reasoning would be, that if he couldn't understand my love and very primary NEED for animals; perhaps he never knew me at all. But you know what? My husband does "get it". His heartstrings have been pulled in the same way as mine. Pets never leave and seldom disappoint. When everything is topsy turvy in my world - precious Molly comes to the rescue. The best part of the book was for me when George decides to take the somewhat bedraggled mother, Lupa. He really IS an animal lover - a man with a soul. I'm the gal that always wants the orphans, the discarded, or the mutts. Great book. So glad this book was written.

Really, you'll need the kleenex. Maybe even 2 boxes. I had a red nose for longest time after I finished the book. Months later I'll pick it up & tell myself, don't read it again for I will cry my heart out, again. Then like the dog lover I am, I'll take a peek & end up captured by a story that I have similarly experienced w/all my dearly departed best dog friends. This is what it is to be loved & owned by a dog(s). One of my all time favorite books. Thank you George Pitcher for sharing the love! Now I think I'll go hug our latest 2 rescues: 3 legged, partially blind senior Sugar, master of all in our house including young able bodied, limber, goofy gumby Gordon. The latter we swear is part cheetah & olympic jumper.

The loving bond between man and dog shines like the brightest star in the sky in this book. Professors who have their lives planned out at the university soon find their love for 2 stray dogs and soon to follow puppies warm the heart. A story that will never be forgotten by anyone who reads it !

The novel, *The Dogs Who Came to Stay* by George Pitcher depicts the lives of four beings, two dogs and two humans. It is a memoir written in honor of Lupa and Remus, two dogs that changed the lives of their owners and offer proof that animals have emotions as well as rational thought. George Pitcher describes how his life and the life of his friend Ed Cone were greatly influenced by these two very unique creatures. The book is full of funny as well as emotionally appealing anecdotes about their lives with the dogs. Upon beginning the book it is easy to think that it was the two dogs who gained the most by being adopted into the home of George and Ed. By the end, it is apparent that the human's lives were influenced just as much as the dogs were by this act of kindness. In his writing, Pitcher is able to demonstrate and portray the obvious emotions, affections, reasoning, and personality that is contained within this being, the dog. I would recommend this book to anyone who loves dogs, likes to read a touching story, and especially to anyone who doubts that animals have and can display emotions.

In my own personal database started 10/26/96, I've read 167 books and rated a half dozen as 8's..none higher. I've never reviewed for higher than a 7. Godalmighty, this is my first 10. No book has ever grabbed my emotions like this one. I must meet George Pitcher.

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