

Play for Senior Dogs

Do senior dogs still like to play? Yes, of course. Many dogs play actively late into their lives. Senior dogs can learn to enjoy interactive play as well as playing on their own. Play is a great way to keep a senior dog's mind alert and engaged.



When asked how long it takes to train a dog, the answer is simple: a lifetime. It's never too late to start training. The thing is, dogs are learning from the time they open their eyes (perhaps even before) until they take their last breaths.

- Senior dogs have already passed the challenging (and often destructive) developmental stages of puppyhood and canine adolescence.
- Senior dogs usually have well-adapted life skills. Those of us well into midlife can speak with confidence: you don't know much about life until you've lived most of it. The same is true for dogs, older dogs can often be better behaved.
- Senior dogs are fast learners. Dogs (and humans) learn how to learn. Older dogs can pick up on new tasks quickly which may simply be attributed to more experience learning from and interacting with humans. Each dog however is an individual, of course.

The Senior KONG has been designed exclusively for older dogs. The unique, all-natural KONG Senior rubber formula is designed for teeth and gums that may have enjoyed chewing for years, or even for senior dogs that are new to KONG toys, it provides great interactive fun for the older dog. Designed to provide a gentle and comfortable chewing outlet while offering enrichment and satisfying an older dog's instinctual need to play. Older dogs can often be difficult to exercise due to conditions such as arthritis, so this toy can provide both mental and physical stimulation. An erratic bounce make it perfect for dogs that are still playing as they reach their more dignified years. To extend play time be sure to stuff with kibble and a dash of peanut butter. Some senior dogs might still play like younger dogs and need to stick with our red Classic rubber toys, so make sure you know your dogs chewing behavior to properly cater for their chewing and play needs.



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