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# NYC Lifestyle

## *Pups, Paws & Claws*

From beta fish to basset hounds, we know how much New Yorkers love their pets. This week's *NYC Lifestyle* offers tips, tricks and resources to help enrich the lives of your non-human companions.

### **Pet Subscription Boxes**

The culture editors of *Delish* ordered, pet-tested and reviewed over a dozen retail subscription boxes for dog and cat owners. The publication calls [these six selections](#) the very best of 2021. Subscriptions range from \$5 to \$40 per month.

### **DogFest Long Island 2021**

DogFest Long Island returns to Massapequa Park this Saturday, September 25th. This free, family-friendly event includes an opening ceremony performance, a costume contest, a walk-a-thon, a silent auction and more. [Click here to register.](#)

### **Book a Cat Café**

Yes, cat cafés are very real. [Koneko](#) on the Lower East Side is the longest-running cat café in New York City and offers hourly reservations, private parties, and a full-menu of human treats. If you're in Downtown Brooklyn, check out [Brooklyn Cat Café](#).

### **Upgrade Your Aquarium**

Elevate your home aquarium from meh to marvelous [with these fintastic recommendations](#) from BuzzFeed. Selections include easy-to-grow aquatic plants, hideaway nooks for your fish, and accessories that help keep your tank clean and clear.



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### Help Your Pet Overcome Separation Anxiety

Pet owners are returning to work in the office after more than a year of working from home. This drastic change of pace can be a challenge for pets who've grown accustomed to oodles of quality time with their owners. [Here's how to help](#), according to vets from around the country.

### Treat Dispensing Cameras for Cats & Dogs

If you're the one experiencing separation anxiety from your pet after returning to work, consider purchasing a treat dispensing camera. These nifty devices connect to most mobile phones through a free app and allow you to check in on your pet, speak to them through the phone, and give them a treat for extra good behavior. Click [here for dogs](#) and [here for cats](#).

### Reptile Terrarium Checklist

A properly maintained terrarium is essential to the health and wellness of a reptilian pet. They're also an impressive addition to any home and are easy to maintain since many of the recommended habitats do not require much watering. [Read more from PetMD](#).

### Foster a Pet in Need

Fostering an animal is one of the kindest things we can do to help a homeless pet. Foster programs are often run by rescue organizations that do not have access to a shelter facility and rely on temporary volunteers for housing. The [Mayor's Alliance for NYC's Animals](#) and [Foster Dogs](#) are two of the leading organizations in our area.