



Lady's Story

I am a Soi dog, a dog of the road. One of the forgotten ones, when I was a puppy and cute a Westerner came to stay on the soi where I lived, he decided to buy me, but when the time came to go home to Australia he left me behind, this often happens when Western people visit Thailand and they stay a while. I am one of many thousands of dogs who wander the streets of Thailand, trying to get by, eating out of the bins and hoping that someone kind will give me food and always hoping I won't find my way to the meat trade as so many dogs do.

I was lucky, yes! sometimes Soi dogs are lucky and a kind Westerner will feed us, this is what happened to me, this is our story.

Catherine and Lady

Every day this lady came to where I lived outside the coffee shop, same time every day 8.30am. At first I wasn't sure about her, then she tried to feed me, again I was unsure. Catherine bought me my very first bowls, one for water and one for dog food, the problem was I had never eaten out of a bowl and I was more used to drinking out of the puddles of rain water when I was lucky. But very soon I started to think dog food tasted just fine, I was used to left overs, noddles, rice and sometimes a slice of pizza! As the days went by I found myself looking for Catherine, I was so excited to see her, I would run as fast as I could just to spend time with her. When Catherine would leave to have lunch, I would walk with her, I never begged I didn't want food, I just wanted to be by her side. When Catherine walked to the laundry lady, I would go with her just to keep her company. We became firm friends, Catherine named me Lady, quite regal for a Soi dog.

I didn't like it when Catherine had to leave for the hotel where she stayed, the lady in the coffee shop would hold my collar to allow Catherine to return to the hotel, yes I had a new collar, Catherine bought me that and it had a little bell on it. Then one day I managed to break away, I found the hotel and ran past the reception to the third floor, just as Catherine was opening the door of the room, Catherine wasn't mad with me, how could she be, I was wagging my tail. We spent each day together and I knew the time would soon come and Catherine would leave me. What I didn't know was that Catherine's son who lived here in Thailand, over heard nasty people talking and saying they were fed up with me and that they were going to take me in their car and kill me. This was the day my life changed forever.

Catherine was leaving Thailand for the UK

I did not realise it, but Catherine wanted to save me, she spent the last part of her holiday trying everywhere to find me a home, but no one wanted me. On the last day of her holiday and only hours before Catherine was going to the airport, she made contact with Patrick a man who lives in Thailand, although he was born in Germany. Patrick is a kind man, a man who loves dogs, he owns a dog kennel business in Phuket and sometimes he helps dogs find new homes around the world. With only hours to spare before Catherine was leaving the country, she travelled to see Patrick, she begged Patrick to help save me from my fate, he agreed and Patrick came to the Soi to collect me in his truck, where we made our way to his home.



The beginning of my new life no longer to be a Soi dog

My first six weeks with Patrick was very busy, straight away he bathed me, I had never had a bath before, I quite liked it. Patrick removed all the ticks from my coat. Next Patrick took me to the vet, where I had my blood taken, the vet said I was ill because of the ticks, but he could make me better with a six week course of medicine, In between this I visited the vet often, he said I was a good girl as I never complained, no matter how many injections I had, it felt like my visits to the vets were never going to end, but it has, although it has taken over five months, the vet says I am healthy, I have had my rabies injections, my blood is clear and I am now ready to leave Patrick. Catherine came to visit me the other day, as she returned to Thailand to see her son, he no longer lives in Phuket, but that didn't stop Catherine she took a two hour flight to visit me, I know she was worried I would not recognise her, but I did, I would know that blond hair and kind voice anywhere. I jumped for joy and rolled over because I knew Catherine would rub my tummy, I like that! Patrick had given me an extra special bath and I smelled well.....quite wonderful!

Time to leave Thailand for my new life

Now this is where YOU! come Into my story, YES YOU! Catherine wants to bring me back to the UK she dreams of me finding a new home, a loving home back in the UK, I know she would like my home to be with her, of course I know this is true, but you see Catherine has two dogs at home, both little dogs and you know what little dogs can be like, I am told her boy dog is not a fan of other dogs and as much as I know this will break Catherine's heart, she knows I would be better off living with another family, maybe YOU do not have a dog, maybe your old friend has died, if so do you think you could love me. I have never had a bed to sleep in, I have never had toys, until I met Catherine I did not have a bowl to call my own. All I dream about is having someone to love me, I do not want to go back to the Soi, this past seven months with Patrick has been wonderful, ok maybe not the vet and the injections, but Patrick has taken care of me, fed me and do you know, I liked this very much.

My Best Friend Catherine

I would like to thank Catherine for saving me, loving me and of course who do you think has paid Patrick for my boarding at his kennels and for my food this past seven months and do not forget all the vets visits and invoices, Catherine has paid for all of this, Catherine even said she will find the funds to fly me back to the UK, I now have my passport with all the paper work in place, to allow me to leave Thailand and enter the UK. I think love must be like this, being kind and loving and knowing when it's best to let go, so are YOU out there? are you someone like Catherine who will take care of me and love me, let me spend my days by your side, I promise I will be your best friend and your companion, please make Catherine happy, please see her dream for me come true, please give me a new home and although I understand Thai, I promise I will learn English.

Kob-Kun-Ka Oooooops I must speak English

Thank you

Love Lady ❤️