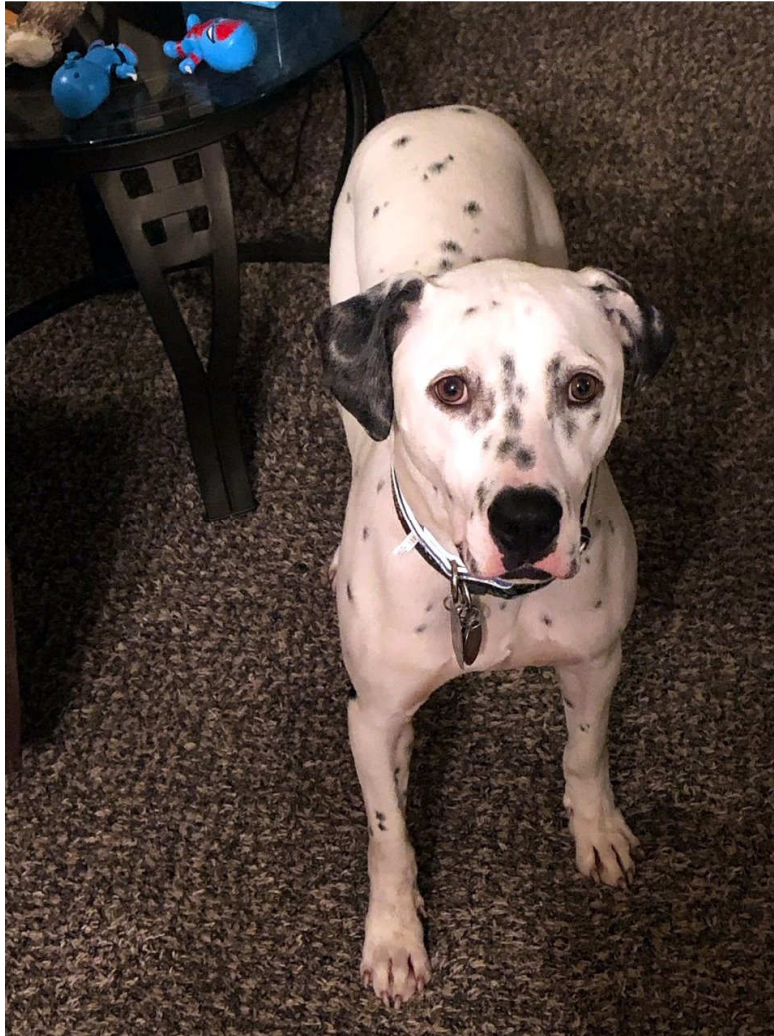


Damon



Sweet Damon joined our family in mid-December, and what a blessing he has been to us! He came with his name, which means “gentle” and “loyal friend,” and this could not be more fitting for his amazing personality. He is a complete sweetheart, cuddle bug, and goofball all rolled in to one adorable package. He previously had not had much (if any) exposure to children, but it took no time at all for him and the kiddos to become best friends. He helps wake them up in the morning with kisses and sniffs and tucks them in at night with snuggles. He loves to go on runs with me and my husband and, much to our oldest son’s delight, has recently discovered the thrill of playing fetch (our kids are convinced he’s the smartest dog in the world ~ can’t say I disagree). ;) Thanks to his great foster parents, he came to us with good manners, and he’s been quick to learn everything we’ve tried to teach him.

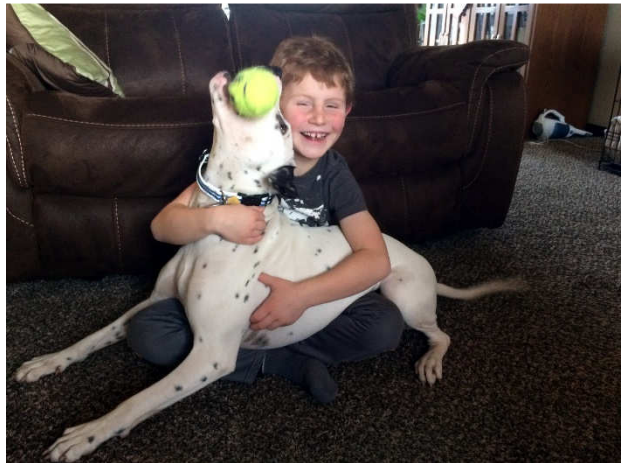
This wonderful dog has filled our hearts to the brim and his joyful soul radiates happiness throughout our home. We are so lucky that the wiggly, waggy bundle of joy that is Damon found his way to us! Many thanks to Dalmatian Rescue of Colorado for our sweet boy!!!

– Charli, Russ, Nate, & Kael
Box Elder, SD

Please see the story update after the original set of pictures!!



I love cuddling and belly rubs from my Dad!



Hugs from my bro, but I'm trying to play ball!



Getting some love from my Mom.



Playing a game with my new buddy!

He's now been with us for almost 9 months, and we cannot imagine our family without him. He has the sweetest, most caring heart and just brings a joyful exuberance with him wherever he goes. He is a giant goofball and he seems to take pride in being able to make us crack up at his antics. Our boys think he is the greatest being ever created and have made up several songs about him ("Our love for him is bigger than a whale, Damon likes to wag his tail," etc. ~ obviously Grammy-level renditions 😂). He wakes them up every morning with wet nose snuffs and kisses and tucks them in every night with hugs (aka laying directly on top of them in their beds - they think it's so funny).

He's gone on several hikes and camping trips with us this summer, and he goes on walks, runs, or bike rides every day; he just loves to be out and about. He climbed the highest peak in SD (a foothill by CO standards). He's up for pretty much any adventure but has determined that he draws the line at kayaking. The small space and rocking boat are not his cup of tea; he prefers to hang out with dad, fishing from the shore.

We could not have found a more perfect fit for our family. Damon has us all wrapped around his finger (or paw?). Thank you for bringing him into our lives – we are so blessed and grateful to have him.

Have a wonderful fall!

Charli, Russ, Nate, & Kael

Don't forget to check out the new photos on next pages!



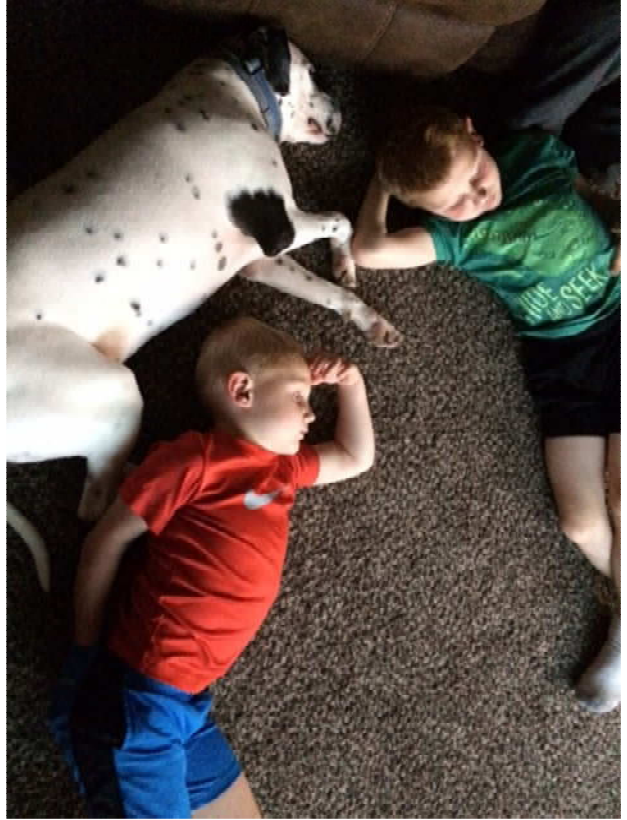
All loaded up and ready for an adventure!!



I love mountain climbing with the family.



Quality time with my 'brother'.



Nap time. Shhhh! ZZZzzzzzz.