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Rescue Me My Life with the Battersea Dogs *Random House* Melissa Wareham always wanted to work with dogs. After failing her biology O-level, she realised she'd have to start at the bottom, cleaning out kennels at Battersea Dogs Home. From frail old men looking for a four-legged companion to famous folk who've lost their favourite hound, it seemed that at some point everyone passes through Battersea's doors. Amongst the clamour of thousands of lost pets crying 'Rescue Me!' and the noise of the railway lines above, Melissa found she had come home. The first dog Melissa fell for was Tulip, a sweet, elderly and somewhat dotty mongrel who decided a solo bus ride into the West End might be fun. Next up was Roscoe: found by the ambulance team with his dead owner, he is rehabilitated with a little help from his master's hat. And then - many, many dogs later - there is Gus. With his owner in jail, Melissa finally finds the dog she is to take home as her own. Heart-warming and compulsively readable, "Rescue Me" is Melissa's memoir of her fifteen years at Britain's most-loved dogs' home. **My Life as a Dog** *P-Wave Press* It's a quick read, it's a sweet read, it's exactly the kind of thing to buoy your spirits after a long week (or 2020). I do recommend this for you or the dog lover in your life. **The Irresponsible Reader** There is only one word that could describe this book and that is adorable...I really adored this wee book and I adored Kevin and it's clear his owner also does! Such a sweet book. Books by Bindu A read to give you that warm feeling inside, especially if read with a canine friend next to you. Nicki's book blog It made me think of the dogs I had growing up and how much a miss having a dog around. This is a lovely story and a quick read. Sylv.net Perhaps with him I am a dog What was Kevin? He was earnest yet playful, boisterous yet lazy, a little rough sometimes, extremely direct and always sure of what he wanted. He was also sensitive, kind, supportive and caring, not to mention highly communicative and supremely understanding towards children. **My Life as a Dog** is the funny, heartwarming and moving story of a life shared between a black and tan dachshund and his owner. Told over two days and a weekend drawn from their many years together, it explores how Kevin overcame his cruel upbringing to flower into a self-confident dog that left everyone he met spellbound. And as they grew together, his owner learned to live in the present and navigate the difficult times they faced together. But with Kevin rejected by the canine world and their connection ever-more profound and symbiotic, the question was: What does he think I am? **L. A. Davenport** is author of the thriller *Escape*, and the short story collections *No Way Home* and *Dear Lucifer and Other Stories*. **A Better Life with Your Dog** Understanding and Improving the Way You and Your Dog Live Together *Dog Ear Publishing* Sharing your life with a dog is supposed to be rewarding and fun. Why then, do so many people find themselves forced to make the decision to give up their furry best friends? Often it's our own misunderstanding of what it takes to help a dog live in this very human world. It doesn't have to be that way, though. If you learn how to think like a dog, the lines of communication will open wide and you and your dog will finally understand each other. Whatever kind of dog you have, whatever your current relationship is, your life with your dog can be better. Now is the time to get things on track so that you and your pooch can live every moment smiling together. Learn what your dog's basic canine needs are, and how to successfully fulfill them. If you neglect these fundamental requirements, your dog will let you know with a plethora of behavior problems. Most people underestimate, or misunderstand what the average dog needs to be happy and well-behaved, on a daily basis. The right amount of exercise, proper nutrition, adequate walks, as well as a solid foundation of leadership, are just a few of things that your dog must have every day of his life. This no-nonsense, easy to read book will enable you to take better care of your dog, inside and out. You'll discover the correct way to communicate with your four-legged friends, and how to enjoy every moment beside them. **John and George** *The Dog Who Changed My Life* *Random House* The incredible true story of how one man turned his life around through the companionship of his best friend. For years, John Dolan had been living rough, trying his best to get by. Born and bred on the estates of east London, his early life was marked by neglect and abuse, and his childhood gift for drawing was stamped out by the tough realities outside his front door. As he grew older, he found himself turning to petty crime to support himself and ended up in prison. On coming out, with a record and no trade, he soon found himself on the streets, surviving day-by-day, living hand-to-mouth. It wasn't until he met George, a tearaway Staffy puppy, that his life changed for the better. To begin with, George was a handful: he had been abused himself and was scared of human contact. But in a matter of weeks, John and George had become inseparable. It was then that John decided to pick up his long-forgotten gift for drawing, sitting on Shoreditch High Street for hours at a time, sketching pictures of George which he would sell to passers-by. With his best friend by his side, and a pencil in his hand, John suddenly found his life's calling. Last autumn, John put

on his first gallery show just across the road from where he had sat and sketched for three years. It sold out. Now, John and George are no longer homeless and live just around the corner from where they first met on the streets. *Canine Enrichment for the Real World Dogwise Publishing* In the world of dogs, there is now more awareness than ever of the need to provide enrichment, especially in shelters. But what exactly is enrichment? The concept is pretty straightforward: learn what your dog's needs are, and then structure an environment and routine that allows them to engage in behaviors they find enriching. To truly enrich your dog's life, you should offer them opportunities to engage in natural or instinctual behaviors. Aside from the limitations we have to place on a dog in today's modern, busy world, the biggest constraint to enriching your dog's life is your imagination! What the experts say about Canine Enrichment: Don't let the word "enrichment" in the title fool you into thinking that the scope of this book is too narrow or not something you will find valuable. It focuses comprehensively on meeting your dog's needs and is written in a holistic, science-based, practical, straightforward, and easy-to-understand way. I love this book! Ken Ramirez, author of *Animal Training: Successful Animal Management Through Positive Reinforcement Canine Enrichment* is a deep dive into what dogs really need and how we can provide it. It's a great book for dog lovers who want to go beyond the standard superficialities of "dogs need exercise." Just the chapter on agency is worth the price of the book! Patricia McConnell, Ph.D., CAAB Emeritus, author of *The Other End of the Leash* and *The Education of Will* The scope of this book is ambitious and the authors deliver, navigating the subject of enrichment with depth and relevance. Caregivers will gain critically important perspectives and practical information to improve the lives of their animals. Susan G. Friedman, Ph.D., Professor Emeritus, Utah State University, and founder of Behavior Works, LLC *My Cat's Album Our Story, Our Best Moments, Our Life Together CompanionHouse Books* *My Cat's Album* is an indispensable scrapbook for all cat lovers, providing a place to record the history and stages of the growth of your inseparable feline. Photographs and memories can be inserted in corresponding sections, creating a personalized diary that preserves the unique identity of a beloved pet. Winston... *The Dog Who Changed My Life Veloce Publishing Ltd* This touching story tells how the author rather unexpectedly became a dog owner when his wife returned home with a puppy that she found abandoned in a city cemetery. Winston quickly takes over the life and home of his new owner - introducing him to a completely new world in the process *A Modern Dog's Life UNSW Press* Dog-keeping may be as old as hunting and cave-painting, but keeping domestic dogs in family homes is a complex business. A modern dog's life offers a new approach to owning and training a dog, using the latest scientific research to help you see the world through your dog's eyes. It explains what motivates dogs, how to train the effectively, and how to meet their needs for fun and exercise. *What's My Dog Thinking? Understand Your Dog to Give Them a Happy Life Dorling Kindersley Ltd* Learn to recognise what's on your dog's mind. What does it really mean when they roll over and show you their tummy? And why do they sometimes chase their own tails? Drawing on the latest research in dog psychology, this ebook reveals the secret meanings behind more than 80 canine behaviours, including the seven types of dog greeting and why some dogs just won't play fetch! The meaning(s) and root of each behaviour are explained, with visuals picking out the subtle body language so you can learn to interpret what your dog is thinking. Practical tips follow, for how to respond to what your dog is telling you, guiding their behaviour through positive reinforcement techniques, if needed. *Advanced Dogwatching* features help you explore key behaviours in greater depth, such as the "prey drive" instinct that can set your dog off chasing. And *strategic Survival Guides* give you the top 5 best tips for successfully navigating everyday situations, such as playing in the park or visiting the vet. With *What's My Dog Thinking* you can put yourself in their paws and keep your canine companion happy, stimulated, well-behaved - and adorable! *My Life as a Dog HarperEntertainment* What can you say about Moose? a lovable canine? A consummate professional? A bright star in the Hollywood universe? Yes, you could say all those things. Or you could just say that he was the little dog that could. The little dog that never took no for an answer. The little dog that never said, "I can't," but always, "why can't I?" The story of Moose is a classic rags-to-riches story of how an average pound-bound puppy barked, jumped, and mugged his way up the ladder of success to become a major superstar. Not since Lassie has America cared so much about one of its four-legged creatures. At least, that's what Moose would say. I would say that working with that dog has been a nightmare. I had to be at his beck and call, any time, day or night. You don't know what it's like to get a call at three o'clock in the morning because "someone" has something he wants to add to the *Frasier* chapter. Did he think I had no life of my own? Or that I slept by the telephone waiting for him to call? Yes, he did. Because, like most uber-stars, he thought the world revolved around him. From the moment I committed to working with him on this book, it's been nothing but Moose, Moose, Moose. But I have to admit he's had a fascinating life. To be plucked out of obscurity and thrust into the limelight may be the dream of every actor in the world, but in reality it's more of a challenge than most people realize. It's hard not to get caught up in all the glitter and hype of Hollywood and completely lose sight of what's really important--family and friends. As egomaniacal as Moose is, he has never forgotten where he came from or taken for granted the fans that got him where he is today. He's a complex guy--selfish and independent, demanding and feisty, impatient and intense, arrogant and stubborn, and strong-willed. But he's also loving, caring, thoughtful when he wants to be, charismatic, funny, charming, and above all loyal. In short, Moose is a Jack Russell terrier with an attitude. Is there any other kind? *The Dogs in My Life The Supreme Master Ching Hai Publishing Co Ltd*. "The Dogs in My Life" captures the love and warmth shared between Supreme Master Ching Hai and her numerous dogs with full-color photos and poetic captions written from the canines' point of view. The Supreme Master Ching Hai had been compiling these touching dog tales since she began adopting them, one after another, from shelters in 2001. It was a miraculous journey for these dogs in their rebirth through her compassion. Readers of this book will see dogs in a new light -- noble beings with a whole lot of love! *A Dog's Life Usborne Publishing Ltd* My name is Squirrel. I was born in a wheelbarrow. There were five of us puppies in the beginning, but only my brother and I survived. So we set off on our

own to see the world. Life as a stray has been hard - but filled with adventure! I've been adopted and I've been abandoned. I lost my brother, but found new friends. I've been in scrapes, but I always survived. This is the story of my life. My Life Has Gone To The Dogs My Life Has Gone to the Dogs' is an everyday scrapbook of Zen moments and surprising insights. This humorous and heartwarming collection of short stories is all about the perils and pleasures of living with two dogs. When it comes to dog quirkiness and personalities, Meg and Dewey provide a wealth of hilarious situations that any pet owner can relate to. Follow their escapades as they romp their way into your heart. G. Nelson Holmquist has been a philosopher and pet owner for all his life. His book, "My Life Has Gone To The Dogs' is a collection of observations and insights into the world of what makes dogs tick. The book began as musings posted to his Facebook to share with his friends and family. His readers encouraged him to put the stories in book form for all to enjoy. All My Dogs A Life *David R. Godine Publisher* My Life in Dog Years *Yearling* Gary Paulsen has owned dozens of unforgettable and amazing dogs, and here are his favorites--one to a chapter. Among them are Snowball, the puppy he owned as a boy in the Philippines; Ike, his mysterious hunting companion; Electric Fred and his best friend, Pig; Dirk, the grim protector; and Josh, one of the remarkable border collies working on Paulsen's ranch today. My Life in Dog Years is a book for every dog lover and every Paulsen fan--a perfect combination that shows vividly the joy and wisdom that come from growing up with man's best friend. Life Lessons from My Dog *Xlibris Corporation* One fall day, I found myself in the car holding on to a squirmy, very adorable puppy. We were taking her home. From the moment we picked her up, she became my mentor, teaching me life lessons without ever trying. She loved the world and all of us. She became a wonderful traveler, and over time, she became socialized. She taught me patience, got me through some rough times, showed me how to be playful, and strengthened me spiritually. I began to record some of our experiences together. Those reflections became this book. The book ends with her first birthday and our celebration of Dog who opened insights to God. My Life with Hatti Six Years With A Dog Who Does Everything *Hachette UK* Lying at the very heart of Libby Clegg's life and achievements is the relationship with her Labrador Retriever cross guide dog, Hatti. A relationship primarily based on trust, with a healthy dose of respect and adoration. Libby Clegg is one of the UK's most popular, recognisable and respected Paralympic athletes, having won ten major gold medals, including two at the 2016 Rio Paralympic Games. As a sprinter who has only peripheral vision in her left eye, Libby runs with a guide runner while wearing a blindfold and, in 2021, she will defend her 100m and 200m titles at the Tokyo Paralympics. Libby is also well-known to the public from her ground-breaking appearance in Dancing on Ice where, in addition to her being the first registered blind person ever appear on the show, she managed to reach the final, winning her millions of new fans and making her a national hero all over again. From the moment Libby wakes up until the moment she goes to bed, Hatti will either be lying at her feet, sitting by her side or guiding Libby to wherever she needs to be. Hatti is there for Libby through both the highs and the lows and they have shared countless adventures together, from spending the day in the Royal Box at Wimbledon where Hatti overdid it on strawberries and cream to Libby trying to overcome a severe bout depression after the Rio Paralympic Games. Theirs is a partnership that works on every single level and, while its circumstances may be unique, its story will be reassuring and familiar to any dog lover. Libby and Hatti are a devoted couple helping each other through life. Good Boy My Life in Seven Dogs *Celadon Books* From bestselling author of She's Not There, New York Times opinion columnist, and human rights activist Jennifer Finney Boylan, Good Boy: My Life in Seven Dogs, a memoir of the transformative power of loving dogs. This is a book about dogs: the love we have for them, and the way that love helps us understand the people we have been. It's in the love of dogs, and my love for them, that I can best now take the measure of the child I once was, and the bottomless, unfathomable desires that once haunted me. There are times when it is hard for me to fully remember that love, which was once so fragile, and so fierce. Sometimes it seems to fade before me, like breath on a mirror. But I remember the dogs. In her New York Times opinion column, Jennifer Finney Boylan wrote about her relationship with her beloved dog Indigo, and her wise, funny, heartbreaking piece went viral. In Good Boy, Boylan explores what should be the simplest topic in the world, but never is: finding and giving love. Good Boy is a universal account of a remarkable story: showing how a young boy became a middle-aged woman—accompanied at seven crucial moments of growth and transformation by seven memorable dogs. "Everything I know about love," she writes, "I learned from dogs." Their love enables us to pull off what seem like impossible feats: to find our way home when we are lost, to live our lives with humor and courage, and above all, to best become our true selves. Everything I Know about Life, I Learned from My Dog *Gatekeeper Press* Everything I Know about Life, I Learned from My Dog can be cherished and enjoyed by anyone who has a dog, has had a dog, wants a dog, or just loves dogs. From a dog's point of view, the world is a much simpler, more joyous place filled with opportunity and happiness. This book's insightful and uplifting ideas are complemented by hand-painted watercolor illustrations that depict dogs of all of different sizes and breeds and people of all ages and races. Everything I Know about Life, I Learned from My Dog is extremely relatable to people of any age or background who enjoy a quick, uplifting read. Give Your Dog a Bone *Dogwise Publishing* Dieting with My Dog One busy life, two full figures ... and unconditional love *Veloce Publishing Ltd* The veterinarian rubbed Kelly's sides for emphasis. "She needs to lose weight. If not ..." Peggy Frezon recognized the list of serious ailments that followed. It was the same one her own doctor had given her. Dieting With My Dog is the honest and heartfelt story of how one overweight woman and her chubby spaniel struggled to get fit and healthy together. Theirs was a comfortable routine. While Frezon's children were flying the nest, her loyal rescue pup snuggled close. Sneaking M&Ms from her secret stash, she would slip Kelly extra doggy cookies too. Why not? Food is love. But then, Kelly became the motivating factor that led Frezon to face down the physical and emotional reasons for her overeating, and for overfeeding her dog. She learned that embracing change is healthy, and everything is easier with unconditional love. Join Frezon and Kelly on their journey to weight loss with a wag. Dieting With My Dog celebrates our close bonds with our pets in

times of both need and triumph. This book is for anyone who has ever loved a pet - through thick and thin. **A Small Dog Saved My Life** *HarperCollins UK* A story of survival, transformation and love. **A Life with Dogs** *U of Nebraska Press* Beloved Nebraska folklorist Roger Welsch explores our passion and love for dogs. **I Had a Black Dog** *Hachette UK* 'I Had a Black Dog says with wit, insight, economy and complete understanding what other books take 300 pages to say. Brilliant and indispensable.' - Stephen Fry 'Finally, a book about depression that isn't a prescriptive self-help manual. Johnston's deftly expresses how lonely and isolating depression can be for sufferers. Poignant and humorous in equal measure.' **Sunday Times** There are many different breeds of Black Dog affecting millions of people from all walks of life. The Black Dog is an equal opportunity mongrel. It was Winston Churchill who popularized the phrase Black Dog to describe the bouts of depression he experienced for much of his life. Matthew Johnstone, a sufferer himself, has written and illustrated this moving and uplifting insight into what it is like to have a Black Dog as a companion and how he learned to tame it and bring it to heel. **All the Dogs of My Life** *Thorndike Press* Tells the stories of the author's canine companions as she experiences life in Pomerania and London, the loss of her first husband, the first World War, and an unhappy second marriage **The Art of Racing in the Rain** *HarperCollins Canada* A heart-wrenching but deeply funny and ultimately uplifting story of family, love, loyalty, and hope--a captivating look at the wonders and absurdities of human life . . . as only a dog could tell it **Dog That Saved My Life Incredible True Stories of Canine Loyalty Beyond All Bounds** *HarperCollins UK* Five incredible true stories of canine bravery in wartime. **My Dog Has Arthritis - But Lives Life to the Full! A Practical Guide for Owners** *Veloce Publishing Ltd* When dogs get arthritis, they can't tell you what hurts or ask for help. But now they no longer have to suffer in silence; they finally have a voice. Featuring practical advice and expert opinion, as well as owner insight and testimonials, this book provides dog owners - or anyone considering getting a dog - with all they need to know to help their dog. Includes case histories. **Chicken Soup for the Soul: My Dog's Life 101 Stories about All the Ages and Stages of Our Canine Companions** *Simon and Schuster* Chicken Soup for the Soul: My Dog's Life honors all the memorable ages and stages of our lovable canine's lives. Readers will laugh, cry, nod along with these heartwarming and inspiring stories. It's a dog's life. From puppyhood antics to the twilight years and saying goodbye, Chicken Soup for the Soul: My Dog's Life captures the entire experience of living through the natural life cycle with our dogs, with special attention to senior dogs and grieving. All dog lovers will laugh, cry, and recognize themselves and their furry friends in these heartwarming and inspiring stories. **My dog is blind - but lives life to the full! A practical guide for owners with a blind or sight-impaired dog** *Veloce Publishing Ltd* This invaluable book sympathetically shows the owner of a blind dog that their loyal friend can still have the same zest for and enjoyment of life. With love and careful thought, you and your dog can help each other find new or adapted ways to live happily together. **All The Dogs Of My Life A Virago Modern Classic** *Hachette UK* First published in 1936, this is the story of Elizabeth von Arnim's extraordinary life - and her equally extraordinary dogs. From her Pomeranian idyll (celebrated in her famous first book, ELIZABETH AND HER GERMAN GARDEN), to less happy days in London following the death of her first husband; from the beautiful solitude of her Swiss mountain hideaway, to the First World War and a disastrous second marriage, the author takes us on a disarmingly witty and poignant journey of canine companionship. **A Dog for Life The Practical Guide to Canine Care** *Dundurn* Whether you already have one or more dogs or are contemplating adding a pet to your family, this guide tells you every last detail about your would-be canine pet. Written from the personal point of view of a dedicated dog lover and charmingly enhanced with over 50 black and white photographs and numerous original line drawings, this guide is a joy to read. **For the Life of Your Dog A Complete Guide to Having a Dog From Adoption and Birth Through Sickness and Health** *Simon and Schuster* The authors present a philosophy of dog ownership, from the challenges of raising a puppy through the rewards of living with an older dog **Irrationally Yours On Missing Socks, Pickup Lines, and Other Existential Puzzles** *HarperCollins* Three-time New York Times bestselling author Dan Ariely teams up with legendary The New Yorker cartoonist William Haefeli to present an expanded, illustrated collection of his immensely popular Wall Street Journal advice column, "Ask Ariely". Behavioral economist Dan Ariely revolutionized the way we think about ourselves, our minds, and our actions in his books Predictably Irrational, The Upside of Irrationality, and The Honest Truth about Dishonesty. Ariely applies this scientific analysis of the human condition in his "Ask Ariely" Q & A column in the Wall Street Journal, in which he responds to readers who write in with personal conundrums ranging from the serious to the curious: What can you do to stay calm when you're playing the volatile stock market? What's the best way to get someone to stop smoking? How can you maximize the return on your investment at an all-you-can-eat buffet? Is it possible to put a price on the human soul? Can you ever rationally justify spending thousands of dollars on a Rolex? In Ask Ariely, a broad variety of economic, ethical, and emotional dilemmas are explored and addressed through text and images. Using their trademark insight and wit, Ariely and Haefeli help us reflect on how we can reason our way through external and internal challenges. Readers will laugh, learn, and most importantly gain a new perspective on how to deal with the inevitable problems that plague our daily life. **My Dog: The Paradox A Lovable Discourse about Man's Best Friend** *Andrews McMeel Publishing* This eponymous comic became an instant hit when it went live on The Oatmeal.com and was liked on Facebook by 700,000 fans. Now fans will have a keepsake book of this comic to give and to keep. In My Dog: The Paradox, Inman discusses the canine penchant for rolling in horse droppings, chasing large animals four times their size, and acting recklessly enthusiastic through the entirety of their impulsive, lovable lives. Hilarious and heartfelt, My Dog: The Paradox eloquently illustrates the complicated relationship between man and dog. We will never know why dogs fear hair dryers, or being baited into staring contests with cats, but as Inman explains, perhaps we love dogs so much "because their lives aren't lengthy, logical, or deliberate, but an explosive paradox composed of fur, teeth, and enthusiasm." **Give Your Dog a New Leash on Life Basic Obedience** *SouthPaw Training Dorrance Publishing* Give Your Dog a New Leash on Life: Basic Obedience SouthPaw Training By: Barbara Day After

decades of studying owner/dog relationships and training numerous dog breeds and their handlers, Certified Master Trainer Barbara Day's quest to offer students better dog training solutions and techniques led her to create the SouthPaw Training program. This unique program reinforces the importance of sound leadership and establishing boundaries, limitations and consequences for canine behavior. Handler education, positive reinforcement and patience are the program's key driving points. Barbara's teaching expertise is further strengthened through her study and training with some of the nation's leading canine trainers and handlers. The SouthPaw Training program-with its unique problem-solving techniques and proven success in behavior modification-comes highly recommended by veterinarians and canine behaviorists. Barbara is certified to train in all areas of obedience, behavior modification, puppy training and temperament testing, conformation and more. Having personally certified and/or titled her dogs in exhibition obedience, fieldwork, narcotics scent detection and confirmation, Barbara has also worked with area law enforcement to train police service dogs. Her canines have been certified in narcotics, dual-purpose K9 and protection. Training is one of the greatest gifts you can give your dog. It strengthens owner/dog relationships and creates mutual respect and clarity for you and your dog. Trained dogs are better equipped to respond to crises and the unexpected-which can be lifesaving. Trained dogs also understand what is expected of them if they are to live within a human pack-your pack. So, begin your SouthPaw training program today and "Give Your Dog a New Leash on Life." My Life as a Dog LIFE with Dogs *Life DOGS, DOGS, DOGS . . .* Who can resist them? Most people seem to be born with an instinctive love of these animals and that's not surprising. It's anybody's guess as to how long we've been living with dogs, but one theory says that wolves first moved in with humans over 100,000 years ago. That's plenty of time to develop a relationship! In the present day, just the sight of a puppy usually starts the oohs and aahs and, from children, the question: "Can I pet him?" Happily for both parties, dogs seem to get just as excited about us. Meeting a friendly dog is the very definition of a feel-good moment for all concerned. And you will meet many of them in this book - friendly dogs, funny dogs, feisty dogs and funky dogs, lapdogs, working dogs, acting dogs, heroic dogs, barking dogs, snoozing dogs, celebrity dogs, cuddly dogs, silly dogs and even dogs that don't quite look like dogs. Stay Lessons My Dogs Taught Me about Life, Loss, and Grace *NavPress Amazing (Furry) Lessons from a Dog's Life* You'll be enthralled by this story of a man and his lovable Labrador retriever, Hannah, and what their canine friendship can show us about life, grace, and long walks in the park. Hannah was Dave's best friend. He couldn't imagine starting a day without her tail wagging an energetic greeting, her body wiggling with sheer gratitude when her food dish was filled, and her unbridled enthusiasm for tennis balls. (How she fit three tennis balls in her mouth at once he'll never know.) So when Dave first learned of Hannah's cancer diagnosis, he decided to take whatever time he had left with Hannah to cherish the moments and capture his thoughts in a journal. As he wrote about his canine friend, he soon realized that Hannah was an able (and furry) mentor of faith, grace, kindness, and forgiveness. The lessons were invaluable: from being present to trusting the master. When Hannah lived well past the expected time frame, Dave started to see that the insights he was gaining were more than just journal entries about a family pet. Through Hannah's antics, God was preparing Dave for life itself. You won't want to miss this heartwarming tale of a dog who knew how to live . . . and showed her owner how. *The Life and Opinions of Maf the Dog, and of His Friend Marilyn Monroe* *Houghton Mifflin Harcourt* Given as a Christmas present to Marilyn Monroe, Maf the dog provides keen insight into the world of the Hollywood starlet during the last two years of her life.