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CASPPCA Receives Influx of Adoptable Guinea Pigs

CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA (July 22, 2024) — The Charlottesville-Albemarle SPCA will be aiding in the rehoming efforts of 16 adorable guinea pigs. With names like “Aurora”, “Ariel” and “Prince Charming”, these guinea pig princes and princesses are social and interactive pets. In order to encourage a speedy transition from the shelter into their new homes, they will be available for adoption **free of charge**.

“Guinea pigs are wonderful companion animals with vibrant personalities,” says Taylor Reinson, Director of Animal Operations. “They are playful, affectionate, and each has their own unique quirks. We invite our community to consider adopting a pair and experiencing the happiness they can bring!”

With proper care, guinea pigs can live five or more years. Guinea pigs are quiet companions, communicating primarily through soft and endearing wheeks, purrs and whistles. They produce fewer allergens than many other companion animals, are playful and interactive, and can even learn simple tricks.

In addition to considering adoption, community members are encouraged to donate guinea pig supplies they may not be using, or to donate through the shelter’s Amazon and Chewy wish lists, which can be found at <https://casppca.org/give/wish-list/>.

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About the Charlottesville-Albemarle SPCA: *The Charlottesville-Albemarle SPCA is proud to have maintained the City of Charlottesville and Albemarle County as life-saving communities for thousands of animals in the region. The mission of the SPCA is to advance the compassionate treatment of animals by providing sheltering, medical care and behavioral services for dogs and cats; promoting permanent, caring homes; and furthering education and outreach to place healthy animals in caring homes.*