

KIWI'S HOME



Kiwi sacked out in her bed

Kiwi has been with us for nearly a month now, and has a place she can call home. She is adapting really well. She has her own room, which used to be our guest room, and spends her nights sleeping in her own queen size bed. She has her old cat bed by her side to help her feel secure. She has her food, water and litter box in that room, so it is her safe haven.

Kiwi visited our vet her first day home, Dr. Thompson at Leon Valley Veterinary Hospital, and got a clean bill of health except for her thyroid problem. She is on a prescription cream that gets rubbed inside her ear. It is supposed to be easier to regulate the dosage and gentler on her stomach, and she seems to be responding to it well so far. We will keep a watch on

her and monitor the situation and the alternatives until we're certain that problem is behind her. She had lost weight down to five pounds at that visit, but has filled out some since then.

Kiwi is a vocal character, and you have to get to know her to realize that she's all bark and a really lovable girl. We enjoy her company very much, and she likes to be around us. She generally finds the sunny spot if one's around. She has her blanket on the desk in our office bedroom, and is generally there when we are at the computer. She spends a lot of her sleeping time there as well when she's not in bed. For such a little girl, Kiwi has a big heart and bottomless stomach. She acts like she's always hungry and begs at the dinner table. We wondered when she first came home how good her hearing is, but we quickly realized she could hear the refrigerator door open from her room on the other end of the house. It's hard to slip into the kitchen without her.



Kiwi relaxing on the desk

She and our other cat, Cisco, have not yet warmed up to each other. But they have gotten over the hissing every time they get in sight of each other. Now they get pretty close together without all the posturing, but they're not quite ready to buddy up yet. Maybe they will in time. As long as they're not fighting, though, we're happy.

We're sure Kiwi misses all her friends at the Humane Society, as they do her. So she wanted you all to know what she was up to, and for us to keep you posted.



Kiwi soaking up some rays at kitchen table