



The Possibility Dogs: What I Learned from Second-Chance Rescues About Service, H

By Charleton, Susannah.

Mariner. 1 Paperback(s), 2013. soft. Book Condition: New. After a grisly search-and-rescue operation led to troubling consequences for Susannah Charleton also the author of *Scent of the Missing* she found that her relationship with *Puzzle*, her search dog, made a surprising contribution to her own healing. Inspired by that experience, Charleton learned to identify abandoned dogs with service potential, plucking them from shelters and training them to work with disabled human partners, to whom the dogs bring assistance, comfort, and hope. In this book she goes beyond the science that explains working canines to tell the stories of the dogs themselves. She introduces us to remarkable dogs like *Merlin*, a black Lab puppy who had been thrown away in a garbage bag and now stabilizes his partner's panic attacks, and service dog *Jake Piper*, a formerly starving pit bull mix who went from abandoned to irreplaceable. "For everyone who is interested in the human-animal bond, this book is essential reading." Temple Grandin "Insightful and earthy, Charleton is never maudlin. All the stories have tremendous heart and power and you believe Charleton when she writes: 'Any dog can surprise you,' and 'great dogs can come in odd packages'." Boston Globe 260.



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