

I AM A PIGLET



- My size now does NOT reflect what my size will be at maturity. I will get bigger.
- My feed should NOT be restricted in an attempt to keep me small. Doing this compromises my health and can lead to much larger problems later in life.
- I like to explore and play. I may get into things that I do not know are bad for me.
- It is your responsibility to remove things in the house and yard that can hurt me.
- I like to taste EVERYTHING. I will likely develop preferences for certain foods. However, I may like different food later in life.
- I love routines! Changes in my routine can cause me to panic.
- You HAVE to train me, without that, I can be quite disrespectful and ill mannered.
- You MUST spay or neuter me, I can breed very early on and hormones are known to cause behavioral issues in addition to multiple health problems later in life.
- Training is a big part of my life. I need to know what you expect of me.
- I need a safe space of my own. When you are sleeping, I may wander around and get into things.
- NEVER-EVER hit me. There are ways to discipline and hitting me is NOT one of them. I hold grudges.
- I will have my own personality, I may not do what someone else's pig does.
- Don't get upset because your friend posts pictures of herself and pig cuddling and I do not do this.
- You will need to EARN my trust. I do not hand that over to anyone.
- Understand that I NEED outside time. I need room to run and play. I need to dig and be a pig.
- I will continue to grow for 3-5 years, which is when I will be considered "mature". I will continue to gain weight as long as my caloric intake is higher than the calories being burned during activities.
- My diet will need to be adjusted as I get older and less active. Nutrition is super important during my youth.
- I am often referred to as a "teacup" or "micro" pig, but I am only a piglet and will continue to grow.