

**B**owser the Shih Tzu eats his owner's credit card bills (that's what you get for shopping without him, human), while A.J. the Chihuahua considers his bed stuffing a delicacy. DayZ the Staffordshire Terrier absconds with his mother's bras and Choxie the Tortie cat, well, he's never met a glass he didn't try to knock over (and break). ¶ We're crazy about our pets, but also take great pride in mocking their odd or downright rude behaviors. Pet Shaming has become an international phenomenon and for proof, check out the Internet's myriad websites dedicated to good-naturedly exposing guilty-looking dogs, cats and other animals caught in dastardly deeds. ¶ Curious about our neighborhood furballs, we invited you to submit stories of your pets' high jinks—and you, dear readers, did not disappoint. While it was challenging, we managed to narrow down the field to the most entertaining of the lot. ¶ *We mock because we love.* Meet some of Palm Beach County's most mischievous dogs and cats.

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# Shame On Them

Exposing The Naughty Shenanigans  
Of Our Four-Legged Friends

## Bowzer, 7

Shih Tzu, Boca Raton

"He's like a person in a dog's body. He's very expressive and will show how guilty he is with his face. He also likes to bat his eyelashes and knows that he's cute."

— Deborah Director, who co-parents Bowzer with Dr. Bruce Martin



## DayZ, 5

Staffordshire Terrier, Lake Worth

"Normally dogs steal socks, but not my DayZ! I love her because she's got a great personality. She has to say 'hi' to everyone she sees, and she's sweet and silly."

— Nikki Troyan, owner



## Choxie, 1

Tortoiseshell (Tortie) Cat, Boca Raton

"This little girl came into our lives unexpectedly and has given us such joy, but boy is she a handful!"

— Ashley Dietz, who, along with her fiancé, Corey Gray, rescued Choxie off the side of a highway

Rather than drinking from my bowl, I prefer my humans' beverages. Once my thirst is quenched, I knock their glasses over so they break.



## Ginger, 8 ½

Maltese, Boca Raton

"Ginger does all sorts of quirky things, especially when I'm watching TV or not paying attention to her. While all animals embrace my heart, Ginger is and always will be my special angel."

— Maureen Ripp, owner



## Brody, 8 months

Newfoundland, West Palm Beach

"I've learned to accept Brody's drooling. It's what makes him who he is and I love him for it. Besides how could you not love that cute face?"

— Jessica Myers, who adopted Brody with her boyfriend, Ryan Giffin

I wear a bib because I drool all over everyone and everything. Mom calls me a slime machine.

## Mikey, 13

Himalayan, Boynton Beach

"I love Mikey because he's cute as a button and he knows it. He also loves playing with his sister cat, Reggy."

— Linda Johnson, who owns Mikey with her husband, Joe



## A.J. (Abraham Jefferson), 2

Chihuahua, Boca Raton

"A.J. is the most lovable and cuddly animal you can imagine and never ruins his beds in front of us. But as soon we leave the house he pulverizes them. I guess he's a closet bed-plucker."

— Kassi Kesner of Boca Raton, who rescued A.J. with her son, Josh Hunter



## Alice, 3

Lab/Greyhound/Pitbull Mix, Boynton Beach

"Sometimes when we get home we find her in the hamper. She's crazy and random, and that makes her even more lovable!"

— Michelle Sgarlato, who adopted Alice with her boyfriend, Kiernan Giffin