

United States presidential pets

United States Presidents and their families have often had pets while serving in office.^[1]

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History of White House dogs

The first White House dog to receive regular newspaper coverage was Warren G. Harding's dog Laddie Boy.^[2]

Pets also featured on presidential elections. Herbert Hoover got a "Belgian Police Dog" (Belgian Malinois),^[3] King Tut, during his campaign and pictures of him with his new dog were sent all across the United States.

In 1944 Franklin D. Roosevelt was running for his fourth term when rumors surfaced that his Scottish Terrier, Fala, had accidentally been left behind when visiting the Aleutian Islands. After allegedly sending back ships to rescue his dog, Roosevelt was ridiculed and accused of spending thousands of taxpayers' dollars to retrieve his dog. At a speech following this Roosevelt said, "you can criticize me, my wife and my family, but you can't criticize my little dog. He's Scotch and all these allegations about spending all this money have just made his little soul furious."^[4] What was later called the "Fala Speech" reportedly helped secure re-election for Roosevelt.^[5]



Miss Beazley, a Scottish Terrier given to Laura Bush by her husband

Richard Nixon was accused of hiding a secret slush fund during his candidacy for vice president under Dwight D. Eisenhower in 1952. He gave the televised "Checkers speech" named after his cocker spaniel, denying he had a slush fund but admitting, "there is one thing that I did get as a gift that I'm not going to give back."^[6] The gift was a black-and-white cocker spaniel, Checkers, given to his daughters. Although there had been talk of Nixon being dropped from the ticket, following his speech he received an increase in support and Mamie Eisenhower reportedly recommended he stay because he was "such a warm person!"^{[7][8]}

Animal lovers were upset when President Lyndon B. Johnson was photographed picking his two Beagle dogs named Him and Her up by their ears. Others did not understand the uproar; former President Harry S. Truman said, "What the hell are



Socks the cat at the podium in the White House Press Briefing Room in 1993



Grace Coolidge with Laddie Boy, an Airedale Terrier, and Rob Roy, a white Collie

the critics complaining about; that's how you handle hounds.^[6]

List of Presidential pets

President	Pet(s)
<u>George Washington</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Sweetlips,^[9] Scentwell and Vulcan^[10] (among others)^[ps 1] – <u>American Foxhounds</u>^{[nb 1][11][12]} ▪ Drunkard,^[9] Taster, Tipler, and Topsy – <u>Black and Tan Coonhounds</u>^[13] ▪ Royal Gift – <u>Andalusian donkey</u>,^[14] a gift from <u>King Charles III of Spain</u>^[15] ▪ <u>Nelson (1763–1790) and Blueskin</u>^[16] – <u>Horses</u>,^{[ps 2][17]} Washington's wartime mounts ▪ <u>Snipe</u>^[nb 2] – <u>Parrot</u>^[ps 3] – Said to have been owned by First Lady <u>Martha Washington</u>.^[19] ▪ <u>Cornwallis</u>,^[20] named for <u>General Cornwallis</u>^[20] – <u>Greyhound</u> ▪ <u>Samson, Steady, Leonidas, Traveller, Magnolia</u>^[21] – <u>Stallions</u>
<u>John Adams</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Juno, Mark, and Satan^[9] – <u>Dogs</u>^{[ps 2][13]} ▪ <u>Cleopatra and Caesar</u>^[21] – <u>Horses</u>^[ps 2]
<u>Thomas Jefferson</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ <u>Dick</u> – <u>Mockingbird</u>,^[ps 3] Dick was the favorite from among at least four mockingbirds the president had while in office^[22] ▪ <u>Bergère and Grizzle</u> – shepherd dogs from France, possibly <u>Briards</u>^{[13][23]} ▪ Two grizzly bear cubs^[ps 4] male & female pair, gifted from <u>Captain Zebulon Pike</u>^[24] ▪ <u>Caractacus</u> – Horse, named after <u>Caratacus</u>, a 1st-century British chieftain; offspring of Jefferson's mare <u>Allycroker</u> and a <u>Godolphin Arabian</u> named <u>Young Fearnought</u>^[25]
<u>James Madison</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ <u>Polly</u> – <u>Parrot</u>, outlived both James And Dolley Madison^[18]
<u>James Monroe</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ <u>Spanie</u>^{[13][ps 4][ps 2]} – Belonged to youngest daughter <u>Maria Monroe</u>^[26] ▪ <u>Sebastian</u> – <u>Siberian Husky</u>
<u>John Quincy Adams</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ <u>Silkworms</u>^{[ps 1][27]} – First Lady <u>Louisa Adams</u> spun their silk.^{[28][29]} ▪ An <u>alligator</u>^[21] – Said to have belonged to <u>Marquis de Lafayette</u> and housed for two months in the <u>East Room</u>,^{[nb 3][30][31]} much to the consternation of visitors.^[32] Possibly sent to France aboard the <u>USS Brandywine</u>^[nb 4] Although this story has been widely circulated, the lack of evidence from contemporary accounts or official records suggests an apocryphal myth.^{[33][34]}
<u>Andrew Jackson</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ <u>Polly</u> (or "Poll") – <u>grey parrot</u>, learned to swear (later attended Jackson's funeral but had to be removed due to loud and persistent profanity)^[18] ▪ <u>Fighting cocks</u>^{[ps 4][ps 1]} ▪ <u>Bolivia, Emily, Lady Nashville, Sam Patch, and Truxton</u> – <u>Horses</u>^[ps 2] Sam Patch was named after the famous daredevil known as <u>The Yankee Leaper</u>
<u>Martin Van Buren</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Briefly owned two <u>tiger</u> cubs given to him by <u>Said bin Sultan</u>, Sultan of Muscat and <u>Omar</u> before Congress forced him to donate the tigers to the zoo^{[29][35]}
<u>William Henry Harrison</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ <u>Sukey</u> – <u>Durham cow</u>^[36] ▪ <u>Goat</u>
<u>John Tyler</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ <u>Le Beau</u> – <u>Italian Greyhound</u>^[13] ▪ <u>Johnny Ty</u> – <u>Canary</u> ▪ <u>The General</u> – <u>Horse</u>^[ps 2]
<u>James K. Polk</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ <i>No known pets</i>^[35]
<u>Zachary Taylor</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ <u>Old Whitey</u> – <u>Horse</u>^[ps 2] Taylor's wartime mount ▪ <u>Apollo</u> – <u>Pony</u>,^[ps 2] formerly a "trick pony" from a circus, a present for Taylor's daughter <u>Betty</u> and resided in the White House stables with <u>Old Whitey</u>^[37]

<u>Millard Fillmore</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Mason and Dixon – <u>Ponies</u>^[ps 2]
<u>Franklin Pierce</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ At least two^[nb 5] miniature "teacup" <u>Japanese Chin dogs</u>^[ps 4], part of a gift exchange with Japan following the <u>Perry Expedition</u>^[38] ▪ Two <u>birds</u> from Japan,^{[ps 4][ps 3]} which had just opened its trading posts to the United States.
<u>James Buchanan</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Lara – <u>Newfoundland</u> ▪ Punch – <u>Toy Terrier</u> ▪ <u>Eagle</u>^{[ps 4][ps 3]}
<u>Abraham Lincoln</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Nanny and Nanko – <u>goats</u>^[17] ▪ Jack – <u>Turkey</u>,^[17] intended as Christmas dinner but <u>Tad Lincoln</u> intervened^[39] ▪ Fido – <u>Dog</u>,^{[9][13]} "assassinated"^[40] by a drunk with a knife, a few months after Lincoln's assassination;^[41] "Fido" became a generic name for a dog because of Lincoln's famous dog^{[42][43]} ▪ Jip – <u>Dog</u>^[13] ▪ Tabby and Dixie – <u>Cats</u>. Lincoln once remarked that Dixie "is smarter than my whole cabinet."^[44] ▪ <u>Horse</u>^{[ps 4][ps 2]} ▪ <u>Rabbit</u>^{[ps 4][ps 2]} ▪ <u>Old Bob</u> – <u>Horse</u>
<u>Andrew Johnson</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Fed <u>white mice</u> he found in his bedroom^{[ps 4][ps 1][35]}
<u>Ulysses S. Grant</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Butcher Boy, <u>Cincinnati</u>, <u>Egypt</u>, <u>Jeff Davis</u> (his wartime mount), <u>Jennie</u>, <u>Julia</u>, <u>Mary</u>, and <u>St. Louis</u> – <u>Horses</u>.^[ps 2] <u>Cincinnati</u> was a <u>thoroughbred</u> of renowned pedigree: son of <u>Lexington</u>, grandson of <u>Boston</u>.^[45] ▪ <u>Billy Button</u> and <u>Reb</u> – <u>Ponies</u>^[ps 2] ▪ <u>Faithful</u> – <u>Newfoundland</u>^[13] ▪ <u>Rosie</u> – <u>Dog</u>^[ps 2]
<u>Rutherford B. Hayes</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ <u>Dot</u> – <u>Cocker Spaniel</u>^[13] ▪ <u>Hector</u> – <u>Newfoundland</u>^[13] ▪ <u>Duke</u> – <u>English Mastiff</u>^[13] ▪ <u>Grim</u> – <u>Greyhound</u>^{[9][13]} ▪ <u>Otis</u> – <u>Miniature Schnauzer</u>^[13] ▪ <u>Juno</u> and <u>Shep</u> – <u>Hunting dogs</u> ▪ <u>Jet</u> – <u>Dog</u>^[ps 2] ▪ <u>Piccolomini</u> – <u>Cat</u>^[ps 2] (presumably named after the Italian genera) ▪ <u>Siam</u> – <u>First Siamese cat</u> in the United States^[46] ▪ <u>Miss Pussy</u> – <u>Siamese cat</u>
<u>James A. Garfield</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ <u>Kit</u> – <u>Horse</u>^[ps 2] ▪ <u>Veto</u>^[9] – <u>Dog</u>^[ps 2]
<u>Chester A. Arthur</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ <u>Rabbit</u>^{[ps 4][ps 2]} ▪ <u>Three horses</u>^{[ps 4][ps 2]}
<u>Grover Cleveland</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ <u>Hector</u> – <u>Japanese Poodle</u>^[13]



Old Bob caparisoned in a mourning blanket at Abraham Lincoln's funeral

- Mockingbirds^{[ps 4][ps 3][ps 1]}
- Three^[47] Dachshunds^[13]

- Whiskers ("His Whiskers," or "Old



Whiskers pulling a cart at the White House, with Russell Harrison and his children



Dash in front of his doghouse

Whiskers") – Goat,^{[17][48]} kept at the White House for the president's grandchildren; may have belonged to Russell Harrison^[49]

- Dash – Collie^[13]
- Mr. Reciprocity and Mr Protection – Opossums,^[50] named from the 1896 Republican party platform,^[51] which includes: "Protection and reciprocity are twin measures of Republican policy and go hand in hand."^[52]
- Two alligators – According to one account, Russel Harrison kept two alligators in the White House conservatory^[53]

Benjamin Harrison

William McKinley

- Washington Post – Yellow-headed Mexican parrot could whistle "Yankee Doodle"^[18]
- Valeriano Weyler and Enrique DeLome – Angora kittens; named after Spanish general Valeriano Weyler and Spanish ambassador Enrique Dupuy de Lôme
- Roosters^{[ps 4][ps 1]}

Theodore Roosevelt

- Admiral Dewey, Bishop Doane, Dr Johnson, Father O'Grady, Fighting Bob Evans – guinea pigs^{[ps 2][55]}; namesakes: George Dewey, William Crosswell Doane (likely John O'Grady (priest) and Robley D. Evans
- Algonquin – "Calico pony" (Shetland),^[55] favored by Roosevelt's son Archie^[56]
- Baron Spreckle – Hen,^{[ps 2][55]} likely named after sugar baron Claus Spreckels
- Bill the Lizard – lizard,^{[ps 3][55][57]} brought from California and described as a "horned frog"^[58] (cf. horned toad); likely named after Lewis Carroll's Bill the Lizard.
- Blackjack – Manchester Terrier
- Eli Yale – Hyacinth macaw^[55] Named after the British merchant (also College namesake)
- Emily Spinach – Garter snake,^{[ps 3][55]} so named by Roosevelt's daughter Alice because "it was as green as spinach and as thin as my Aunt Emily"^[59]
- Fedelyty – Pony^[ps 2]



Archie riding Algonquin

- Gem and Susan – Dogs^[ps 2]
- Jack^[55] and Peter – Terriers^{[ps 2][13]}
- Jonathan Edwards – small black bear from West Virginia^[55] named after the religious leader, an ancestor of Mrs. Roosevelt;^[60] eventually sent to the Bronx Zoo^[61]
- Jonathan – Piebald rat^[ps 3]
- Josiah (or "Josh")^[58] – Badger^{[ps 3][55]} During a railroad tour of the West, the president acquired two-week-old Josiah at a stop in Sharon Springs, Kansas^[62]
- Manchu – Pekingese^{[13][55]}
- Maude – Pig^[55]
- Peter Rabbit – Rabbit^{[ps 3][55]} was given a "proper state" funeral^[63] Cf. Peter Rabbit
- Pete – Bull Terrier^{[13][55][9]} exiled to Long Island "after chomping on one too many legs"^[64]
- Rollo – Saint Bernard
- Skip – Mongrel^{[13][55]}
- Sailor Boy – Chesapeake Bay Retriever^{[13][55]}
- Tom Quartz and Slippers – Cats^[ps 2], Tom Quartz was named after a cat in a Mark Twain story.^[65]
- Bill – Laughing hyena, gift from Emperor Menelik II of Ethiopia^[66]
- barn owl
- One-legged rooster^[55]



Roosevelt family with Skip



Illustration of Slippers, the White House cat^[nb 6]

William Howard Taft

- Caruso – Dog^[ps 2] a gift for Taft's daughter Helen from opera singer Enrico Caruso; after a White House performance, he decided that cows were not appropriate pets for a little girl^[67]
- Mooly Wooly and Pauline Wayne – Cows^[ps 2]

Woodrow Wilson

- Davie – Airedale Terrier^[13]
- Old Ike – Ram^[68]
- Puffins – Cat^{[ps 2][68]}
- Bruce – Bull Terrier^[68]
- Songbirds^{[ps 4][ps 3][ps 1]}
- Sheep^[ps 4] numbering 48 at its peak,^[69] the flock kept the White House lawn trimmed "in the most economical way";^[68] the wool being sold to benefit the Red Cross^[70]

Warren G. Harding

- Laddie Boy (1920–1929) – Airedale Terrier^{[9][13]}
- Old Boy – Bulldog^[13]
- Petey – canary^[71]



Laddie Boy

- Rob Roy (1922–1928) and Prudence Prim – Whitecollies^[13]
- Peter Pan – Wirehair Fox Terrier,^{[72][13]} the Coolidge's first White House dog;
- Paul Pry – Airedale Terrier,^[13] half-brother of Warren Harding's Laddy Boy.^[72]
- Calamity Jane – Shetland Sheepdog^[13]
- Tiny Tim and Blackberry – Chow Chows^[13]
- Ruby Rouch – Collie^[13]
- Boston Beans – Boston bulldog^[13]
- King Cole – Belgian Sheepdog (Groenendael)^[73]
- Palo Alto ("Palo") – A black and white English Setter, a bird dog that Coolidge soon gave to Colonel Starling,^[72] chief of the Secret Service detail in the White House^[74]
- Bessie – Collie
- Rebecca – Raccoon,^{[ps 3][75][73]} Rebecca was intended for a Thanksgiving feast; First Lady Grace had a tree-house built for her instead.^{[72][76]}
- Reuben – A male raccoon acquired as a companion for Rebecca; soon escaped and not recovered.^[76]
- Ebenezer – Donkey
- Nip and Tuck – Canaries, both olive green in color; the Coolidge's first birds.^[72]
- Peter Piper and Snowflake – Two more canaries; Snowflake was white.^[72]
- Goldy – A "yellow bird"^{[ps 3][73][72]}
- Do-Funny – a trained songbird (troupial)^[ps 3] from South America,^[72] said to be Mrs. Coolidge's favorite bird.^[73]
- Enoch – Goose^[ps 3]
- Smoky – Bobcat
- Blacky and Tiger (or "Tige") – Cats^{[ps 2][72][73]}
- Tax Reduction and Budget Bureau – Lion cubs from Johannesburg, South Africa^[73]
- Billy – Pygmy hippopotamus full name: William Johnson Hippopotamus^[77]
- A wallaby
- A duiker (a very small type of antelope)
- Bruno – A black bear from Chihuahua, Mexico Mrs. Coolidge promptly sent him to a zoo.^[73]
- Pekin Ducks – Thirteen ducklings were received as an Easter gift; Mrs. Coolidge attempted to raise them in a White House bathroom, but eventually sent them to a zoo.^[73]






Portrait of Rob Roy and Grace Coolidge

Calvin Coolidge

Herbert

- Billv Possum – A wild possum that occupied Rebecca's vacant

<p><u>Hoover</u></p>	<p>tree-house and was "adopted" by the Hoovers,^[76] temporarily filled in for a local high school's missing mascot^{[78][79]}</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Caruso – <u>A Roller canary</u>^[3] ▪ King Tut – <u>Belgian Shepherd</u>^{[80][81]} (<u>Malinois variety</u>)^[3] ▪ Pat – <u>German Shepherd</u>^[80] ▪ Big Ben and Sonnie – <u>Fox Terriers</u>^{[13][82]} ▪ Glen – <u>Scotch Collie</u>^[13] ▪ Yukonan – <u>Eskimo dog</u>^[13] ▪ Patrick – <u>Irish Wolfhound</u>^[80] ▪ Eaglehurst Gillette – <u>Setter</u>^[80] ▪ Weegie – <u>Norwegian Elkhound</u>^[3] 	 <p>Herbert Hoover with King Tut</p>
<p><u>Franklin D. Roosevelt</u></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Fala (1940–1952) – <u>Scottish Terrier</u>^[17] ▪ Major – <u>German Shepherd</u>^[80] ▪ Meggie – <u>Scottish Terrier</u>^[80] ▪ Winks – <u>Llewellyn Setter</u>^[80] ▪ Tiny – <u>Old English Sheepdog</u>^[80] ▪ President – <u>Great Dane</u>^{[9][80]} ▪ Blaze – <u>Bullmastiff</u>^[80] 	 <p>FDR and Fala (1940)</p>
<p><u>Harry S. Truman</u></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Feller – <u>Cocker Spaniel</u>^{[80][83]} because the Trumans "preferred to be a petfree family" he was given as a puppy to Truman's personal physician^[84] ▪ Mike – <u>Irish Setter</u>^[80] 	
<p><u>Dwight D. Eisenhower</u></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Gabby – <u>parakeet</u>^[85] ▪ Heidi – <u>weimaraner</u>^[86] 	
<p><u>John F. Kennedy</u></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Gaullie – <u>Poodle</u>^[87] ▪ Charlie – <u>Welsh Terrier</u>^[80] ▪ Tom Kitten – <u>Cat</u>^{[ps 2][88]} ▪ Robin – <u>Canary</u>^[88] ▪ Bluebell and Marybelle – <u>Parakeets</u>^[88] ▪ Ducks – JFK's daughter, five-year-old Carolyn raised ducklings at the White House^[89] Ongoing conflicts with their terrier Charlie prompted sending them to <u>Rock Creek Park</u>^[90] ▪ Macaroni – <u>Pony</u>^[91] ▪ Tex – <u>Bay Yucatan pony</u>^[88] ▪ Leprechaun – <u>Connemara pony</u>, a gift from President of Ireland, Éamon de Valera^[92] ▪ Moe – <u>Doberman Pinscher</u>^[88] ▪ Billie and Debbie – <u>Hamsters</u>^[88] 	 <p>Kennedy family and dogs</p>

- Pushinka – dog (gift of Soviet Union Premier Nikita Khrushchev, puppy of Soviet space dog Strelka)^[9]
- Shannon – Irish Cocker Spaniel^[80]
- Wolf – Dog, mix of Irish Wolfhound and Schnauzer^[93]
- Clipper – German Shepherd Dog^[94]
- Butterfly, White Tips, Blackie, and Streaker – Offspring of Pushinka and Charlie^[80]
- Zsa Zsa – Rabbit
- Sardar – Horse^{[ps 2][95]}

Lyndon B. Johnson

- Him and Her – Beagles^{[80][96][97]}
- Edgar – Beagle^{[9][80][96][97]}
- Blanco – white Collie^{[80][96][97]}
- Freckles – Beagle^[80]
- Yuki – Mongrel dog^{[80][96][97]}
- Hamsters^[ps 2]
- Lovebirds^{[ps 3][98]}



LBJ with Him

Richard Nixon

- Vicki – Poodle^{[80][99]}
- Pasha – Terrier^{[80][99]}
- King Timahoe – Irish Setter^{[80][99][100]}
- Checkers^[9] (1952–1964) – Cocker Spaniel^[nb 7]



King Timahoe, Vicki and Pasha looking out the window in the White House

Gerald Ford

- Liberty (February 8, 1974–1984) – Golden Retriever^[80]
- Lucky – Dog^[9]
- Misty – Liberty's puppy born in the White House
- Shan – Siamese cat^[101]



Susan Ford, daughter of Gerald Ford, and the family's siamese cat, Shan, in 1974



Ford and Liberty in the Oval Office

Jimmy Carter

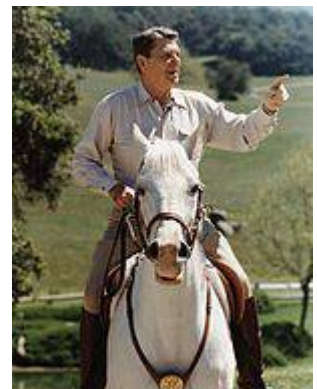
- Grits – Border Collie (mix),^{[80][102]} Given to his daughter Amy by her teacher, but quickly returned^[103] after snapping at several White House visitors^[9]
- Lewis Brown – Afghan Hound^[104]
- Misty Malarky Ying Yang, daughter Amy Carter's pet – Siamese cat^[75]

Ronald Reagan

- Lucky – Bouvier des Flandres^{[105][106][107]}
- Rex (December 16, 1984–August 31, 1998) – Cavalier King Charles Spaniel^{[107][108]}
- Victory – Golden Retriever^{[106][107]}
- Peggy – Irish Setter^{[106][107]} m
- Taca – Siberian Husky^{[106][107]}
- Fuzzy – Belgian sheepdog^{[106][107]}
- Horses (El Alamein, Nancy D, Baby Little Man, and others) at Rancho del Cielo^{[109][110]}
- Cleo and Sara - Tortoiseshell cats at Rancho del Cielo^[111]



Rex



Ronald Reagan on El Alamein

George H. W. Bush

- Millie (January 12, 1985–May 19, 1997) – Springer Spaniel^[9]

- Ranger – one of Millie's puppies^{[80][112]}



Millie

Bill Clinton

- Socks (1989–February 20, 2009) – The Clintons' cat.^[48]
- Buddy (August 7, 1997–January 2, 2002) – Bill's chocolate Labrador retriever^[48]



Socks

George W. Bush

- Spot "Spotty" Fletcher (March 17, 1989–February 21, 2004) – female English Springer Spaniel named after Scott Fletcher, Puppy of Millie;^[9] Euthanized after suffering a series of strokes.
- Barney (September 30, 2000–February 1, 2013) – Scottish Terrier.^{[9][113]}
- Miss Beazley (October 28, 2004–May 17, 2014) – Scottish Terrier; Nicknamed "Beazley Weazley"; 2005 birthday gift from George to his wife.^{[9][113]}
- India "Willie" – cat (July 13, 1990–January 4, 2009)
- Ofelia – Longhorn cow (lives at Bush's Prairie Chapel Ranch)



India

Barack Obama

- Bo^[9] (born October 9, 2008) – Portuguese Water Dog.
- Sunny^{[114][115]} (born June 11, 2012) – Portuguese Water Dog.



Bo and Sunny

Donald Trump

- None^[116]

1. Number unknown
2. Breed unknown
3. Species unknown
4. Name unknown

See also

- Canadian Parliamentary Cats
- Chief Mouser to the Cabinet Office, United Kingdom
- Hermitage cats in Saint Petersburg Russia
- Pets of Vladimir Putin
- Tibs the Great
- Cats of the President of Taiwan
- Category: Pets of the British Royal Family

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Notes

1. Washington was an avid dog breeder; he called the breed that he was developing "Virginia Hounds"; which eventually became American Foxhounds
2. Some sources reference the name "Polly"^[18]
3. The East Room was still under repair following the 1814 burning of the White House by the British, and was primarily used for storage. During the visit of the Marquis de Lafayette to the United States Lafayette acquired several tons of gifts (including the alligator) that was stored there.
4. See: Conveying Marquis de Lafayette to France
5. Number uncertain, perhaps received as many as seven. "Pierce was thought to have kept one dog, and he gave the other to his Secretary of War, Jefferson Davis. Davis was particularly pleased with the dog and was known to have carried it with him in his pocket."^[38]
6. Illustration from St. Nicholas (1908); original caption: "WITH AN AMUSED BOW, THE PRESIDENT ESCORTED THE AMBASSADRESS AROUND 'SLIPPERS' AND KEPT ON HIS WAY TOWARD THE EAST ROOM."^[54]
7. Checkers died in 1964, before Nixon became president, but had played a major role in his electoral career

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