Domino Goes to the Beach

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A picture book for children and anyone who loves their pet.

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This story is dedicated to Domino, who has provided us with years of companionship and love.
Domino is a Boston Terrier. She likes to play with her toys and enjoys her family. Domino sat one Tuesday, looking so sad.

She wanted something exciting to do, but it was too cold outside.
We asked Domino if she would like to go to the beach to visit Alex. She was so excited!

Alex was Domino's human brother who moved far away to a beautiful town on the coast of New Jersey.
We traveled many hours in the car. Domino was very good and sat patiently in her seat. We made frequent stops at doggie friendly areas.
On the way to the hotel, we stopped and surprised Alex. He had no idea that Domino was coming to visit him.
When we arrived at the hotel, Domino was a little nervous, but happy to be out of the car so she could stretch her legs.
The sand was soft on Domino's paws and there were so many new scents.
The waves came up and got her feet wet. She didn't like that very much and made certain not to get too close to the ocean.
Domino saw lots of things that she had never seen before. The gulls were quite odd to Domino. The noise they made sounded like laughter.
What funny birds. Nothing like the small birds at home.
Afterward, Domino needed a nap as she was so tired from her busy day.
The next day Domino went sight-seeing at a nearby town. It was a nice walk through the streets lined with quaint shops.
Domino went on the boardwalk. Dogs usually aren't allowed on the boardwalk, but since it was the off-season there were only a few people so no one minded that she was there. She stopped so some little girls could visit with her.
Domino had a few bites of peanut butter frozen custard, yum!!!
Domino saw some huge concrete beach balls. They wouldn't roll or bounce so they weren't too much fun for dogs to play with.
We went metal detecting on the beach. I bet domino hoped that we would find some dog bones buried in the sand, but we only found a few old metal bottle caps. We threw them in the trash because we want to make sure the beaches are clean and free of trash that can cut our feet or paws.
She took a nap with Alex. I bet Domino had sweet dreams of the birds laughing as the cool waves covered her paws or the sweet taste of frozen custard or how nice it was to visit with him.
We left for the long ride back home with fond memories of all of the fun adventures that we shared. We look forward for another vacation adventure with our furry family member, Domino.

Good bye, Jersey Shore. We hope to come back soon! Woof, woof!
Here are some tips if you want to take your pet on vacation:

⭐ Make reservations at a pet friendly hotel a head of time. Sometimes there are special rules and extra charges for pets.
⭐ Never leave your pet in a car alone where they might become over heated or afraid.
⭐ It is your responsibility to clean up after your pet.
⭐ Make sure that you have everything that you need to make your pet feel at home while traveling.
⭐ Make frequent stops so your dog can stretch.
⭐ Have water that your pet can sip on.
⭐ Have your pet vaccinations and license up to date and available.
⭐ Choose a location where your pet won't spending the whole trip in the hotel room. That won't be a fun vacation for them at all.
⭐ Keep your pet on a leash to avoid accidents or confrontations with people that may not care for animals.
⭐ Talk to your veterinarian before your trip.
⭐ Look on the internet for ideas on things to do and local regulations for pets.