



30-SECOND INTERVIEW

Beauty and the Beasts

PBS's *Animal Attractions TV*, renewed for a second season, features pet care tips, unusual animal stories, and info on pet nutrition, behavior, and health. Upcoming subjects include kitty massage, traveling with pets, and an expedition into a wolf pen. **Megan Blake** (right), a **Georgia Tech grad** and **former Miss Georgia**, cohosts and is a contributing writer and producer. She has six rescued pets and travels the world with her cat Tout Suite.



How do you choose your animals' names? It came to me that this was going to be my travel kitty, and I needed to give him an exotic travel name. I'd just come back from the Cannes Film Festival, and Tout Suite means "hurry up" in French. He's an impetuous kitty, so that's his name, Tout Suite, The Travel Kitty. All my animals told me what their names would be. Tout Suite and I have traveled over 70,000 miles together!

What's the most unusual pet you've ever had? I've had cats, dogs, horses, and rabbits . . . But I can say I learned something unique about all of the pets. Animals teach us to connect on a basic level and reconnect with ourselves.

What was the wolf pen like? I went into a pen of Alaskan tundra wolves and got to experience their power and intelligence. They were jumping all over and licking me since they accepted me. I put my hand in a wolf's mouth to show I trusted them. His jawline was as long as my forearm. It was amazing to see the intelligence in their eyes.

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