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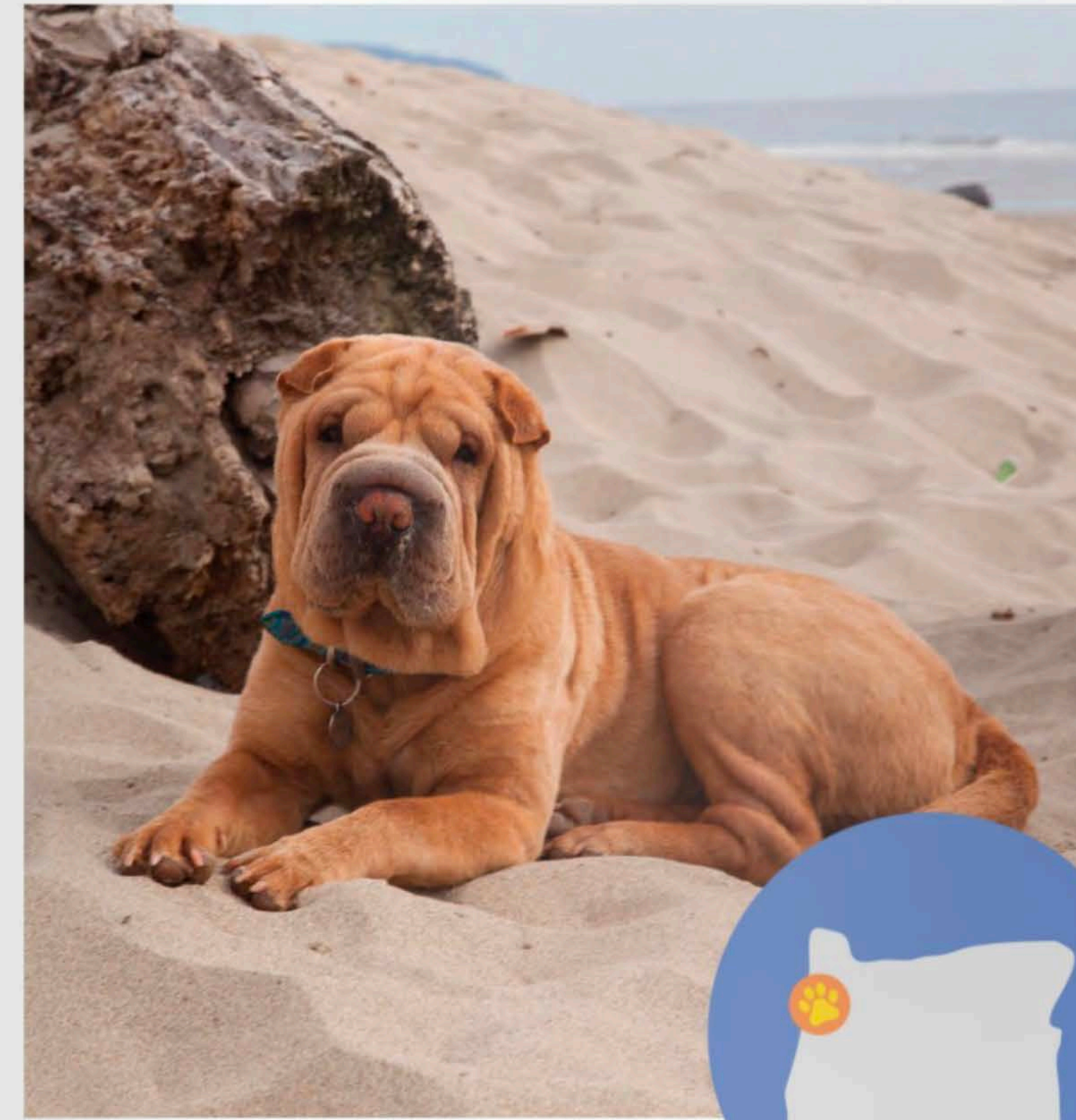
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FROM LEFT The Oregon Coast is a perfect place for your dog to run. It's also a good spot for your dog to rest. Pelican Brewing has housemade dog treats for your pup.



PACIFIC CITY

THE PEOPLE'S COAST is also the Canines' Coast. Romping on an expanse of sand, chasing waves, charging up and digging in the dunes, standup paddling, kayaking, hiking scenic trails—our play is dog's play and vice versa. In Pacific City, the 8-mile beach between Cape Kiwanda State Natural area and Bob Straub State Park is dog-human heaven on the edge of the earth. Rent a standup paddleboard at Moment Surf Co. or Nestucca Adventures, which also has kayaks, and take your dog along.

Back on the beach, everyone can run free so long as your dog is within your sight and responds to commands. You should always have a leash and waste removal bags at the ready, too, according to state rules. A reminder that driving is allowed on much of Oregon's coastline, and dogs should be on leash when in a state park.

The year-old Sitka Sedge State Natural Area will make you sit up and beg to take in the views—of open water, tidal flats, saltwater marshes and vistas sweeping from Haystack Rock to Cape Lookout. A



leash is required on the 3.5-mile trail, which winds through the estuary and coniferous forest dunes, or to the beach.

Later, kick back around a fire or unwind at Pelican Brewing Company's on-the-beach patio with a perfect view of Haystack Rock, daring surfers and sunset.

Head to the prime beach patios at Stimulus Espresso Cafe for breakfast and pick up housemade dog treats made with spent grain from Pelican Brewing, then stop by Ben & Jeff's for tacos and burgers.

The Coast's newest luxury property, Headlands Coastal Lodge & Spa, welcomes dogs and strives to keep things unpretentious. With Portland-handcrafted Ginger Beds for dogs, food and water bowls by local ceramic artist Mark Cavatorta, stylish comforts don't stop at the end of the leash. A pet wash station rinses off the remains of the day on the beach. Celebrating your dog's birthday? The house baker will make a cake suitable to a pup's palate.

There's pilates, beach yoga, bikes, surf lessons and an adventure coach to plan it all. Later, head to the outdoor, ocean-view hot tub, get a massage, and order from a menu sourced from the sea, local farmers and the herb garden.

The ambience at the Inn at Cape Kiwanda draws on surf culture and local artists for its fun and relaxing sense of place. Dog amenities include dog dishes, towels, treats and warm outdoor washes. The Cottages at Cape Kiwanda, and Shorepine Vacation Rentals also welcome dogs, and some packages waive pet fees or include pet amenities. ■

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