

THE GRIFF HOLD

Rescue occasionally finds griffs with broken legs that have been abandoned. Since the cause of the injury will never been known, this is found to be helpful information to share. This info can also help prevent your griff from getting away from you when startled and bolting.

WARNING!!!!

A Brussels Griffon will jump out of your arms with no warning at all & this can result in injury or death!!!

The Griff Hold

After experiencing several near heart stopping moments when a Griff attempted to make a flying leap from my arms I decided I had to figure out a way to stop this from happening again...other than grabbing whatever body part I could get a hold of to prevent a crash landing!! It's not always possible to hold a Griff with two hands so I came up with what I call "The Griff Hold". The normal way to hold a small dog is with one hand, palm up, resting under the dog's chest. For the Griff you use this same position but you don't stop there. You continue moving your palm under the dog's chest until you reach the dog's elbow closest to your body and wrap your hand around the dog's elbow. The dog's chest will then be resting on your wrist. This way you have a secure grip and when your Griff decides to take a flying leap out of your arms...trust me at some point he will...you won't be taken by surprise and end up with an emergency trip to the vet for a broken leg, cracked jaw or worse!!!

Video demonstration-

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