Discover the Top Dog-Friendly Activities in Las Vegas!



Are you a new resident of Las Vegas, or have you recently welcomed a furry friend into your family? If so, read on for some tips to help you and your canine companion live your best lives together!

First up, let's talk dog sports. The Las Vegas dog community may be small, but it's growing fast, and there are plenty of sports to choose from to keep your pup active and happy. From agility to scent work, there's something for every dog and every owner.

Disc

Have you ever wondered why it's called "disc dogs" instead of the F-word? It's because the F-word is actually a trademarked brand used for playing with discs. If you're interested in getting involved with disc dogs, look no further than the <u>Atomic K9 Toss & Fetch League</u>. They can help you get started and connect with other enthusiasts.



Flyball

Flyball is another high-energy dog sport that's perfect for newcomers to dog training. It's a relay race that's open to all breeds and sizes of dogs, and the team aspect makes it a lot of fun. If you're interested in joining a team, check out <u>Fly'n Aces</u>.

Barn Hunt

If your dog loves sniffing, then Barn Hunt might be the perfect sport for them. It's a game where your dog searches for rats in and around bales of straw. It's mentally enriching for dogs and can be a lot of fun. If you're interested in trying it out, Smarty Paws and QmeK9 offer Barn Hunt classes.

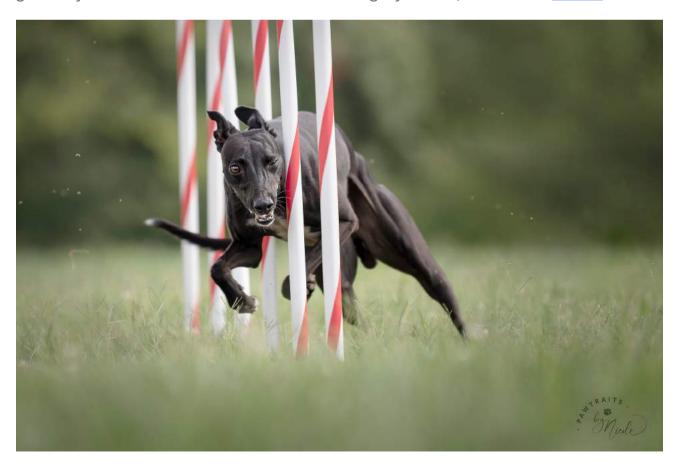
Nosework

This is another sport dogs love and is open to any dog, regardless of breed, or size, and one organization, NACSW, caters to reactive and/or less confident/ more sensitive dogs.

To learn more about nosework training options in Las Vegas, check out either <u>imPETus Animal Training</u>, <u>Ford K9</u>, or <u>Smarty Paws</u>.

Agility

Most people are familiar with agility, it's where the dog runs through an obstacle course guided by his or her handler. To learn more about agility classes, reach out to <u>LV Dice</u>.



And finally, have you tried lure coursing? This activity is a great way to tap into your dog's natural instincts and provide a fun outlet for them to chase and run. No special training required, and you can even join the Spring Mountain Sprinters Facebook group to get started.

I hope this list has given you some inspiration to try out these exciting dog sports with your furry friend. Happy playing!

Dog-Friendly Restaurants in Las Vegas

Vegas isn't the most dog-friendly city, but there are quite a few restaurants that welcome dogs in their patio dining areas. Here are a few of my favorites:

- Lazy Dog Restaurant & Bar
- Big Dog's Brewing Company
- Park on Fremont (506 E. Fremont)
- Coffee Pub (2800 W. Sahara Ave)
- Egg Works (2025 Village Center Circle)
- Leone Cafe (400 S. Rampart)
- The Egg & I (4533 W. Sahara)
- Madhouse Coffee(8470 W. Desert Inn)
- Crepe Expectations (9500 S. Eastern Ave)

Dog Parks

Dog parks are popping up all over Vegas. I recommend staying away from them. My experience is they are pretty small, with too many dogs crammed in, people throwing balls, and people allowing their dogs to run amuck and bully other dogs. I only recommend dog parks where you have acres to walk around and your dog isn't getting bombarded by other dogs as you walk in the gate.

Hiking

Most dogs love getting out and sniffing, climbing, and running around, which makes hiking a fantastic thing to do with your dog. We have plenty of dog-friendly trails. Just please make sure, if your dog is off-leash, he or she has an amazing recall, stays close to you, and doesn't approach other dogs or people. We do have mountain lions, coyotes, and in the summer, rattlesnakes.

For some of my favorite dog hikes, take a peek at my favorite dog hikes blog post.

For upcoming dog-friendly events, check the Petscene events calendar.

Thanks for reading, and happy doggy adventures!