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A new series by Dandi Daley Mackall, author of the best-selling Winnie the Horse Gentler series!

*If the world had any idea how mad I, Wesley "Mad Dog" Williams, am at it, the sun would be too scared to show its ugly face around here.*

Meet 14-year-old Wes Williams, aka Mad Dog. He's from Chicago and looking to return--just as soon as his mother gets out of rehab. In the meantime, he's stuck at Starlight Animal Rescue, where his only friend is his dog, Rex. As Wes schemes to get his old life back, will Rex and the other shelter dogs be able to rescue him . . . before his anger makes him go too far?

Starlight Animal Rescue: Where problem horses are trained and loved, where abandoned dogs become heroes, where stray cats become loyal companions. And where people with nowhere to fit in find a place to belong.

## **Mad Dog Details**

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## **From Reader Review Mad Dog for online ebook**

### **Donna Hunt says**

Great book. a story that reflects on God's great love, the heart and kindness of animals, and how forgiveness will erase bitterness, remember bitterness is like drinking poison and hoping the other person gets sick.

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### **Rayleigh says**

This book was not as good as the first, in my opinion, which is kind of disappointing because dogs are my favorite animals. However, it still was a good book and well written. I liked the characters and do not remember anything bad about the book, except the fact that Wes's mother is in rehab (I don't remember what for...) but I don't think it mentioned much. It has been a while since I read it, but it was a good book and I would let my little siblings read it.

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### **Autumn says**

This is a great book, just like the rest of the Starlight Animal Rescue series. I didn't enjoy it as much as the other books, but it is definately one that I would recommend!!!

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### **Madison Stewart says**

I didn't finish the book I just stopped and switched to Heaven Is For Real! It is such a good book!

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### **Jenny Rose says**

Wes Williams has only one thing on his mind—going back home to his mom as soon as she is done with rehab. After all, she promised they would be back together, that she was getting her life back together. For now, Wes is in foster care and his foster family runs Starlight Animal Rescue. He seems to have a knack with dogs after he nursed a stray dubbed Rex. Rex also has a knack for knowing when Wes is getting mad—even before Wes himself knows sometimes.

Someone else has noticed Wes's knack with dogs and asked him to adopt a couple shelter dogs and train them for use in a nursing home. Things get complicated when Wes tries to visit his mom but isn't allowed to see her; and when the nursing home activities coordinator is not fond of dogs.

This was another great installment by Mackall. Just like the first, Runaway, I had a hard time putting this book down. Animal lovers will enjoy this series. This is a Christian series, though I did not find it overly preachy, the Christian message is definitely there.

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**Julian Daventry says**

While I'm not a dog person, I love reading about Wes and seeing the world through his eyes. My parents were foster parents and I grew up with kids that's weren't biologically my siblings. It's really nice to get a glimpse of what they might feel. :)

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**Hannah Burge says**

It was amazing! Likely to please readers who love animals, especially dogs. I loved it!!

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**Virginia says**

good enough to keep me interested, but just ok. Admittedly, I would've probably liked it more when i was about 11, which i think is closer to the age this is aimed at. Characters pretty 2 dimensional (even the main character), animal info pretty beginner range or wish-fulfillment (esp regarding the manor visits), and a pretty predictable plot. (i also didn't enjoy the God aspect, but the store's sticker was covering where it said Christian fiction, so I can't really blame the book for that.) But it was a nice, gentle, quick story when i wasn't feeling very good, so it gets points for that:P

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**Brooke Whitelock says**

I am just in love with this book!!

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**Bryanna Raddatz says**

amazing

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**Awjtf says**

Just as good as runaway!

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**Katie O'Farrell says**

This book is great for young adult readers.

Great morals interesting story and its just totally worth the read.  
this book was not as good as book one in this series but still worth it.

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### **Leah Good says**

Mad Dog is another great book from Dandi Daley Mackall, author of the Winnie the Horse Gentler series. Mad Dog is book two in the Starlight Animal Rescue series, preceded by Runaway. It's also my favorite book in the series. After re-reading it recently for this review, I found myself cracking up over the assisted living residents. Since my family does a lot of elder care, I could relate to the situation...though I've yet to meet someone quite like the Buddy in this book. Definitely a great book to get your hands on.

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### **Kim says**

Another quick and good read. Not all happy tails, but that's life. Yet, there is love, there is hope, and there are people who will look after you ... even when you don't see them.

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### **Carlos says**

Este libro, WOW no me esperé mucho de el pero en realidad me sorprendió muchísimo, a pesar de ser un libro infantil, te enseña cosas muy hermosas, el mensaje es lo valioso de este libro maravilloso.

Aunque es el 2do libro si no estoy mal, de una saga, no te cuenta nada de la historia anterior, lo cual es bueno, porque no tengo el primero así que me alegró por ese lado.

RECOMIENDO ESTE LIBRO DE AHORA Y PARA SIEMPRE

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