


Bart

BART HAD INTENSE GOLDEN EYES AND WAS A STRIKINGLY BEAUTIFUL WOLF - ONE OF OUR MOST PHOTOGRAPHED ANIMALS, EVEN THOUGH HE WAS NOT ON THE VISITOR ROUTE.

Many of our Photo Visit attendees had an opportunity to get near his enclosure and capture his spirit.

Bart could be seen as you strolled towards the grandfather tree through our native prairie, as he often watched visitors from a mound in his enclosure. He lived at Wolf Haven for most of his 15 years, along with his parents and siblings after they were surrendered by their owner. They arrived at the sanctuary from San Bernardino, California on Thanksgiving weekend in 2003 and Wolf Haven staff lovingly called them "The Dino's."

Bart's personality was as intense as his eyes and he liked to challenge animal care staff by trying to grab the water hose as we were filling his water bucket or splash tub. It was almost like an initiation on his part. No matter how far you tossed a treat, chicken or bone, he was so fast that we needed a distraction at times. Once he got to know you, he "let" you fill it without bluff charging, but we always had to be on alert for that unexpected shower.

I will remember his piercing eyes, stunning white fur, and gregarious personality. I also won't ever forget the bond he shared with his sister Jinkies, who he was paired with for many years. Bart was a big part of Wolf Haven and we all feel grateful that we were able to share him with so many of you. 

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Bart photographed in 2006. *Julie Lawrence.*