



USA TRAVEL GUIDE

We will support you with every step of your dog's journey home.
Our dedicated logistics team will ensure they travel safely,
comfortably and in full compliance with US regulations.

TRAVEL OPTIONS AND COSTS

At Soi Dog Foundation, we charge no adoption fee. Adopters are simply required to cover travel costs, which will differ depending on crate size, airline pricing and destination airport.

During the adoption process, we will provide you with a personalised estimate based on your dog's individual travel requirements.

There are **two ways** to bring your new family member from Thailand to the USA:

1 As accompanied baggage with a flight buddy



- Approx. **USD \$1,300-\$2,900.**

This is our most **cost-effective** travel option.

A flight buddy is a kind traveller who volunteers to escort adopted animals on their booked flight(s) to the USA.

How it works

- When a flight buddy registers their flight, our team checks for dogs ready to travel to that destination.
- Once we find a suitable match, we arrange everything directly with the airline.
- You will receive updates from our logistics team as soon as your dog is confirmed on a flight.

Things to note

- There may be a short wait while we find a suitable flight buddy travelling to a nearby airport.
- We will always keep you informed of progress and expected timeframes.

2 As manifest cargo

- Approx. **USD \$2,500-\$5,320.**



This option allows your dog to travel independently, without needing a flight buddy.

While this option is more costly, there is **greater flexibility** to schedule your dog's arrival on a specific date and at a particular airport.

Regardless of which travel option you choose, your dog will need to be inspected at a designated animal care facility before you can collect them.


TRAVEL REQUIREMENTS AND ARRIVAL

Before your dog can begin their journey, there are a few important steps to make sure all health and import rules are met.


Approved US entry points

Dogs from Thailand must enter through one of the following six airports, as approved by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC):




 **LAX** – Los Angeles

 **IAD** – Washington D.C. (Dulles)

 **JFK** – New York

 **ATL** – Atlanta

 **MIA** – Miami

 **PHL** – Philadelphia

If you do not live close to any of these airports, domestic travel can be arranged to get your dog home to you.

Travel readiness and country requirements

Rabies titer test (RTT)

The RTT is a blood sample that checks a dog has developed sufficient rabies antibodies. Your dog can only travel once the **28-day** RTT waiting period is complete.

Inspection on arrival

Dogs will spend at least **one night** in a CDC-approved animal care facility, where they will undergo a health check and receive a rabies vaccination.

State-specific requirements

Import requirements can vary slightly between states in the USA; some may request additional documents, health treatments or certificates.

Our logistics team will confirm any additional steps needed for your destination and handle all paperwork to ensure a smooth arrival process.



When your dog arrives

Bringing your dog home is an exciting moment, and we will make sure it goes smoothly.

- You will collect your dog from the animal care facility; this is usually the day after your dog's arrival.
- The animal care facility will contact you directly when your dog is ready to be collected.

We will provide step-by-step collection instructions.



We're here every step of the way

Our logistics team will support you throughout the entire process, from export preparation in Thailand to the moment your dog arrives home.

We will:

- Keep you updated on your dog's travel readiness and flight confirmation.
- Provide all required documents and clear instructions for collection.
- Be available for questions at any stage of the journey.

Your dog's safety and comfort are our top priority, and we're committed to making their journey home as smooth and stress-free as possible.

