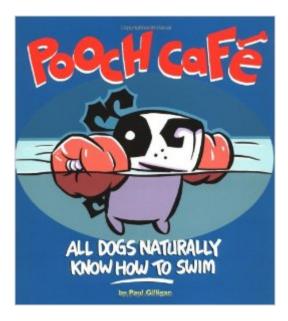
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# Pooch Cafe: All Dogs Naturally Know How To Swim





## Synopsis

Pooch Cafeââ ¬Å<sub>1</sub> is creator Paul Gilligan's first syndicated strip, and this book collects the strips from its successful first year of syndication. When Poncho's beloved master Chazz marries cat lover Carmen and forces them to move in with her and her feline brood, Poncho's world is shaken to the core. Carmen's attempts to bribe Poncho with cheese cannot overcome his inexplicable but undeniable disdain for all things cat, and now that his home has become a haven for them, his only recourse is to seek refuge in the cafe, where he, Boomer, and his other canine pals pore over their top-secret plans to construct a giant catapult with which to hurl all the Earth's cats into the sun. As much as he dislikes kitties, he's equally passionate about his love for Chazz. Poncho will do just about anything to keep his position as man's best friend secure, including enduring the physical torments of Chazz's passion for biking, camping, and mountain climbing, which he can only get through with the help of classic Russian literature and a nice cup of tea. Pooch Cafeââ  $\neg$ Å<sub>1</sub> captures the intensity of the human-dog bond in a way that will resonate with pet lovers everywhere.

# **Book Information**

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### **Customer Reviews**

Pooch Cafe remains one of the most genuine comics available today in our papers and one of the funniest. The most heartening thing about the strip is that Poncho knows what he's doing when he's drinking out of the toilet, or doing all the other things that a dog does and yet he can't help it. Because its in his nature. He is a dog and unlike make strips in which Cartoon dogs become

mini-humans, Pooch Cafe retains the basic spirit and nature of the characters it protrays, letting each part stay true to itself. It is lovingly illustrated and ultimately it has soul - a rarity in syndicated strips today. A superb buy! Watch out for this man!

I've been a fan of Pooch Cafe since I saw it in my local newspaper over a year ago. Poncho and company are a consistently funny part of my day and I'm thrilled to see him finally in book form for me to enjoy even more.Mr. Gilligan's illustrative training reminds me of Bill Watterson's work; really great artwork combined with hilarious writing. A lot of comic strips fall flat once in awhile, but I've never been disappointed by Pooch Cafe! This is a great compilation for pet owners and comic fans.

Actually, I'm not sure what kind of pooch Poncho is but he is without a doubt the greatest cartoon character since Calvin. This book is loaded with great writing, unique art and the funniest punchlines since Larson. Grab this collection -- it's a winner!

Poncho is a dog's dog. He daydreams of meat, stuffs himself with kibble, and hangs out at the Pooch Cafe where dogs can be dogs and "cat" is a four-letter word. (Plus, he loves Jackie Chan and hates mushrooms -- a dog after my own heart!) I had never read the Pooch Cafe comics before purchasing this book, but was attracted by the subject matter and the artwork, which is both cool and quirky. The humor is subtle and smart. Whatever you're a dog person, a fan of comics, or both, Paul Gilligan has produced a very stylish work that is worth adding to your collection.

I was glued to the book, reading it from beginning to end in one hilarious sitting. Poncho and friends diabolical plans to rid his house of the evil cat invaders were hysterical! Paul Gilligan needs to write another Pooch Cafe book!! We need more...MORE!

Poncho may be one of the funniest comic strips characters ever. I had never seen this strip, but I picked up a copy of the book by chance.Well, let us just say that I want to see this strip everyday! Why isn't this in every newspaper?

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