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Biography

Sue Coombs and Mel Hogan, Founders of Mindahome

Mindahome - Mindahome.com.au - is Australia's leading home and pet minding service that connects home and pet owners with minders across Australia.

Established in 2008 by experienced house sitters, Sue Coombs and Mel Hogan, Mindahome specialises in pet and house sitting for both rural and residential properties and has quality experienced minders available.



Sue Coombs

Sue's love of animals began as a child when she cared for her family's pet rabbits, hamsters, dogs and cats. Lara (dog) and Zim (cat) are now her animal companions and are truly members of the family.

Sue was first introduced to house sitting by a friend whose home needed minding for a three month period. Moving in and minding the home as if her own, Sue and her two children enjoyed the new experience and the financial benefit of staying somewhere new without having to pay rent or a mortgage.

It is her passion and love of animals that inspired Sue to offer a service where animals and pets could be cared for in their own environments when families

travel.

After working for a multinational sales company for 14 years, Sue decided that establishing an affordable and efficient online home minding service was her true calling.

Although originating from England, Sue has called Melbourne in Australia home for much of her adult life and has spent time travelling and living in London, Sydney and Melbourne. Sue enjoys home minding and also has an interest in travel, graphics and photography.



Mel Hogan

Living in Australia for most of his life, Mel fondly remembers his time growing up with family pets such as dogs, cats and budgies.

Mel was introduced to house sitting when he met Sue. As house sitters, they experienced living in new places and communities.

With a background in equipment and appliance repairs, Mel's keen mechanical sense progressed into an interest in websites. He began developing his own websites in 1999 and has had several successful online businesses, including a music website.

Mel's website know-how saw the establishment of Mindahome.com.au in 2008 and Mel continues to be the website's technical guru and developer.