

Anne



DEAR EXPECTANT PARENT(S),

My name is Anne. I was born and raised in France. I moved to the United States in 1996 and became a U.S. citizen a few years later. Now, I reside with my cat, Lucie, in Western Massachusetts, where I cannot wait to raise my future adoptive child. I am financially stable and have worked for the same company for more than 15 years. I own two houses – one that is my home and one that I rent for additional income. Having the rental income from the second house will allow me to comfortably raise my child, even though I will be a single parent. Additionally, my company supports family time, so I will be able to take three months off from work when the baby comes and have flexible hours to always be there for my future adoptive child. Later, when I have to return to work, my future adoptive child will attend a wonderful daycare that I have personally witnessed to be an inviting, fun, and diverse environment where kids can play, learn, and make friends.

Thank you in advance for reading my profile. I hope that through reading this letter you will learn who I am as a person and who I will be as a parent.



Relaxing on the couch



MY CHILDHOOD:

I grew up in the suburb of a large French city where my parents owned their own business. Watching our parents run their company taught my brother and me the values of hard work and commitment. I had a happy childhood with a close-knit family. We would visit our extended family regularly and spend holidays with them. Every year, we would go on a family vacation, exploring other regions of France or traveling to neighboring European countries to discover new places. Our trips evolved from vacations to the beach when we were younger, to skiing with family friends when we were older. I cannot wait to take my future adoptive child on trips like this!

Another great day in Punta Cana



In Cabo San Lucas



Having fun with the elephants



On the swing set



Fun on the slide

COMING TO AMERICA:

One of my aunts married an American and moved to the United States before I was born. My parents went to visit my aunt throughout the years and, when I was 15, I was lucky enough to stay with her and my cousin for two months. I really enjoyed my summer spent in the U.S. and wondered what it would be like to live there when I was older. So, after graduating from college and living in England for two years, I decided to move to the U.S.; I got a visa and off to America I went.

During my first years in the U.S., I worked long hours to become successful and financially secure. While I have chosen to settle in the U.S., I have not found a husband with whom to begin my life. After waiting a while to find "Mr. Right," I have realized that I do not want to wait any longer to be a parent, as becoming a mother is what truly matters to me.





In the kitchen

MY ADOPTION JOURNEY:

Choosing adoption as my path to creating my family was a no brainer for me, as two of my cousins were adopted. My family is very comfortable with adoption and is delighted by the prospect of a new baby joining the family. About five years ago, I became a pre-adoptive parent through DCF and was very quickly matched with a newborn little girl. I fostered her from birth until she was over three years old, with the hope of one day adopting her. Unfortunately, it was decided that she should be adopted with her two younger siblings, who were together in another pre-adoptive home. I fought very hard to become her forever parent, but I was not successful. It was a heartbreaking experience, but, after taking some time to come to terms with this loss, I am ready to become a mother again.



Winter wonderland



MY PARENTING STYLE:

I loved being a foster mother, but I want to fully experience parenting by adopting a child. If you decide to choose me as your child's adoptive mother, your child will always come first in my life. I believe a great mother nurtures their child, encourages them, and is their biggest cheerleader. When I become an adoptive mother, my child and I will read, play, and discover new things together each day. Swim lessons, play dates, visiting children's museums or aquariums, and pumpkin or apple picking, are just some of the things that I am excited to experience with my future adoptive child.

Reading in the playroom



The nursery



In addition to engaging my future child in fun and educational activities, I will raise them to know that they are loved, while also teaching them to be kind and compassionate. Education is very important to me, so I will take an active role in the education of my child. If my child wants to go to college, I will support that goal and make it possible for him or her.

As I came from Europe, learning languages is very important to me. I will raise my adoptive child to be bilingual in English and French. I hope that they will learn at least one other language in school, as I believe this will create more opportunities for them when they are older.



French and English books



My home

MY HOME:

I have been living in the same area for the past 23 years. It is a beautiful area full of many cultural experiences, like museums, concerts, and theaters. There are a lot of opportunities to enjoy nature in my community as well, from parks to farms and even mountains on which my future adoptive child and I can hike or ski one day.

When I first decided to begin my journey in adoption, I purchased a new home so my future child(ren) could be in a good school district. The neighborhood and street where I live are also wonderful for children, with many families with small children nearby.

My house itself is spacious, has a great playroom, and has a big backyard with a swing set. I look forward to spending time with my future adoptive child in the kitchen, as it is a great spot to dye Easter eggs and make yummy treats like cookies, crepes (a paper-thin French pancake), or reindeer food for Christmas. I am also looking forward to enjoying time with my future adoptive child in the backyard, where they can swing on the swing set, play in the sandbox, and plant flowers/veggies with me in the garden!



In the garden



Garden



Playroom



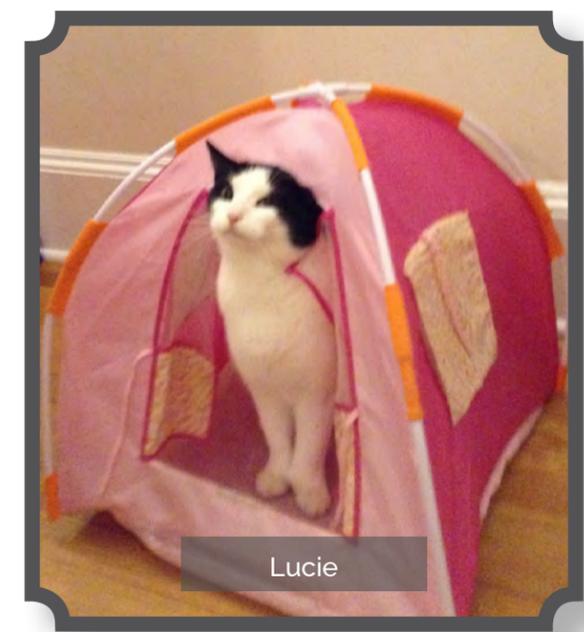
MY FAMILY:

Even though I live in a different country than my family, I nurture a close relationship with all of my family members. We keep in touch via Skype several times a week. My parents also come regularly to visit, especially for special occasions like birthdays and holidays. My brother and his family come to visit too. I cannot wait to watch my nephews play with my future adoptive child.

I am also excited to travel back to France with my future adoptive child so I can show them where I grew up and introduce them to some of my extended family. I think that it is very important to learn about new cultures, see how other people live, and explore the world. The fact that my family lives in Europe means that my child and I will have so many reasons to travel and experience all the world has to offer.

My mother, brother, and me at my house

In addition to my family living abroad, I have an extended family here in the U.S. Many of them have adopted children and/or have biological children, so my future adoptive child will have many kids their age with whom they can play. I see so many future playdates in store and I know that, in a pinch, my friends will also always be there to help me whenever I may need it. My friends cannot wait for me to be able to adopt!



Lucie



Visiting with my parents



Sailing

THANK YOU:

Thank you so much for taking the time to get to know me. I admire the courage and strength you are showing in considering the decision to place your child for adoption. If you select me as your child's adoptive mother, I hope that you will take comfort in knowing that your child will be loved unconditionally, nurtured, and taught the importance of family values. I will also raise them to know about you and their adoption journey from an early age. They will know that your decision was difficult, but was made entirely out of love.

If you would like to learn more about me or speak with me directly, please call Full Circle Adoptions at 1-800-452-3678.

Sincerely,

Anne

