



*Centeno, from Albacete, now homed in France thanks to GIN and Levriers en Difficulte Photo LED*

### How You Can Help

There are thousands of abandoned galgos in Spain, needing GIN's help. Our international work, rescuing, treating and finding homes for galgos, is very expensive and all financial assistance is very welcome.

GIN's supporters can help in a number of ways -

- making donations
- fund raising at shows and local events, running local dog walks or collections
- sponsoring galgos in quarantine
- joining GIN's membership scheme
- buying our merchandise or visiting our shop
- leaving a legacy to GIN in your Will

Full details of these are on the GIN website - [www.greyhoundsinneed.co.uk](http://www.greyhoundsinneed.co.uk) and can be obtained by phoning, or writing to, our Wraysbury office.

GIN is always looking for volunteers to help its cause. Please contact GIN HQ or one of the local organisers, shown on the Contacts page, if you would like to get involved.

We receive donations, which are vital to help GIN in its work, from supporters all over the world. Please send any donations you might wish to make to our Wraysbury office.



Donations can also be made ON-LINE by visiting our website and clicking on one of these buttons

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# GREYHOUNDS IN NEED—OUR WORK

Anne Finch, a nurse and a tireless worker for animal welfare, founded Greyhounds in Need (GIN). After adopting her first retired racing greyhound, she helped the Retired Greyhound Trust in homing some of the huge numbers of retired racers here in the UK

In 1991 Anne was so affected by a picture of an Irish Greyhound in great distress at a track in Mallorca that she felt driven to go to Spain herself and to see at first hand the dreadful conditions suffered by dogs at Spain's four tracks. Between then and 2006 all the Spanish tracks and two in Italy closed, leaving huge numbers of dogs needing urgent rescue. Thankfully, this was achieved by our European colleagues with help from GIN.

In 1995 Anne discovered the appalling plight of the hundreds of galgos (Spain's own breed of greyhounds) who are often hanged or abandoned by their hunter owners at the end of the 4-month season. Since then GIN has helped welfare societies and others all over Spain to publicise this horror and to help to find adopters all over Europe. We provide veterinary care and practical assistance towards rehabilitation and transport to a new life in caring homes.

In 1998, Anne and her husband Arthur, launched GIN which was officially registered with the Charity Commission, with as its mission, the welfare and rescue of greyhounds, especially in Spain. Refuges in Spain provide the initial rescue and, from there, we arrange

and pay for proper veterinary care and rehabilitation at fully equipped kennels in Vic and Cadiz. When fully recovered, groups of dogs are transported to our European partner groups for rehoming as family pets.

There are many charities in the UK helping home Irish and UK greyhounds, but only GIN concentrates most of its endeavours to working in Spain.

We also bring a relatively small number to UK where they bring much joy to some of our loyal supporters. Contrary to popular belief, greyhounds make wonderfully affectionate and loyal pets and need only short amounts of exercise.

For further information about our work please contact us on 01784 483206 or visit our website

[www.greyhoundsinneed.co.uk](http://www.greyhoundsinneed.co.uk)



*Blanca, from Albacete, settled in her new home in France, thanks to GIN and SOS Levriers*  
Photo SOS Levriers



*Maya and Alta from Albacete enjoying life in Italy thanks to GIN and the Greyhound Adopt Centre*  
Photo GACI



*Dulce and Farruquito from Villamartin, Cadiz now happily homed in Belgium thanks to GIN and Greyhounds Rescue Belgium*  
Photo GRB



*Teresa was found in Almendralejo with a piece of rope hanging from her neck. It was feared that she had been hanged and managed to escape but because it had taken so long to catch her the wound around her neck had started to heal with the rope still inside. The vet had to open up the wound and extract the rope. With lots of love and care from Mada and her team at the RECAL refuge, Teresa started to get better and she is now enjoying life in her new home thanks to GIN and Greyhounds Rescue Belgium*



*Photos RECAL and LED*