

Scott, Ann Marie & Bee



Hi there,

Writing this letter is so hard. Finding a baby to join our family is the biggest thing that we have ever done in our lives. We can only begin to understand what this means to you.

First, thank you so much for considering us as adoptive parents for your baby. We want to express our deepest gratitude for allowing us the opportunity to introduce ourselves and hopefully share our lives with your child.

Scott and I met in college when we were only 19, but it took us another 15 years until our lives brought us together as a family. In 2020 we finally became parents to our amazing daughter, Bee Annalycia, through adoption. We have been blessed with a happy home that is so full of love and happiness, and we would love to share our lives with another child.

We created this book to give you a glimpse into our lives and hopefully make your difficult decision a little bit easier.

Thank you again for considering us. Your strength will be making an adoptive parent's dreams come true.

No matter what you decide, we wish you peace during this time.

Yours,
Ann Marie and Scott.



Why we are choosing adoption

Scott and I always wanted to have kids, but it wasn't until a few years ago that we had the security to do it confidently. We unsuccessfully tried to have a baby naturally. Now we are in our early 40's and we made the decision to pursue adoption.

We both come from close families. Our siblings are our best friends. We love holiday traditions and big family vacations. We can't wait to share that with our children.

Scott longs for a day that he can teach his kid to fix their car, build a shed, or just experience the joy of swimming in a river. I can't wait to let our child pick their first pet!

We fully recognize that you are making this sacrifice for your child. By choosing adoption you will give a family a chance to live their dreams. The significance of this decision for you is not lost on us.

We want this to be as easy on you as possible. If you have any questions about us at all, please ask.



This is Ann Marie and Bee's first mom on the day after she was born.

About us



This is us building our first home together.
Can you believe we lived in this for a year?



Scott and I both grew up in Pennsylvania less than an hour from each other. We met and became friends when we were in college in Colorado. After college, our lives took us in different directions, although seemingly on the same path.

I moved to Los Angeles and Monterey. I spent my 20's exploring careers and learning about myself before starting my own landscape design business. Scott stayed in Colorado. He skied and hiked and created an amazing career in real estate.

At some point, we both ended up in San Francisco running our own businesses. For 9 years, we lived just 2 blocks from each other and yet somehow didn't re-meet.

In 2014, we accidentally met online dating. We fell for each other and have been in love ever since.

In 2015, we decided to have a life adventure. We built an off grid cabin by hand in the woods, and we moved out of the city.

A year later, we were ready to live in a regular house, but had proved that we could live in any situation together.

In 2016, we had a small and perfect wedding on our favorite beach in Mexico and began our plan to grow our family.
Hopefully, this is where you come in.

What Ann Marie is about

I love all things natural. After finishing school with a degree in teaching, I realized that I couldn't work in a school all day, so I started working with the Boys and Girls Club to build children's gardens. One thing lead to another and I started my own business as a landscape contractor. For 13 years I designed and built gardens all over San Francisco. These days I am lucky enough to get to work from home creating garden landscape designs, and spending tons of time with Bee.



What Scott is about



I am a very dedicated, hard working, adventurous and caring person. My favorite thing to do is to take Bee on beautiful hikes in the mountains.

Being outside and surrounded by nature fills me with a passion for life, and getting to share that with loved ones is a reminder of how lucky we are to live such a blessed life. I love to learn, I love to teach, and I love to share experiences with others.



I had always wanted to be a father, I grew up with great parents and have always dreamed of sharing that love with my children. Since having Bee that feeling has only grown.

What Bee is about



Bee wakes up every morning ready for an adventure. She loves being outside to help us with the animals. Nothing makes her happier than watching the trees leaves rustle in the wind. To Bee, there is nothing better than lunch time. She adores the dogs, but she's obsessed with the cats - who want nothing to do with her. Her favorite toy is a cardboard box. She crinkles up her whole entire face when she smiles. And she snorts when she laughs.

Bee is ready for a baby brother or sister.



Ann Marie as a Mom - By Scott

I have never loved Ann Marie more than I do now that I get to see her as a mother. I feel like the luckiest man on earth that she chose me and that we get to raise a family together. Her love and passion for all creatures of the earth, including plants and animals, is truly inspiring. Her love for Bee is magic, and I couldn't be more proud of how well she has jumped into this role of being a caring attentive mother. She is patient, caring, funny, and laid back in the right way. You can already tell how effective she is at raising children to be the best they can be. I cannot wait to see where this journey continues, and hopefully we become a family of four.



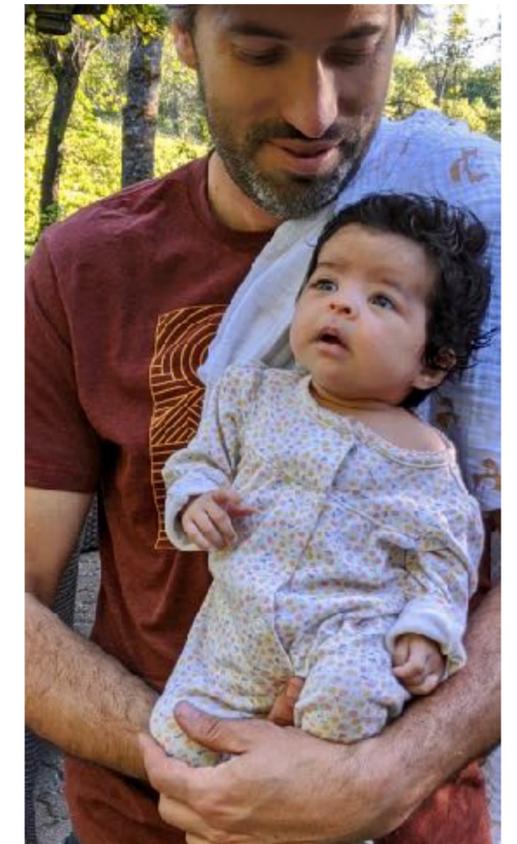
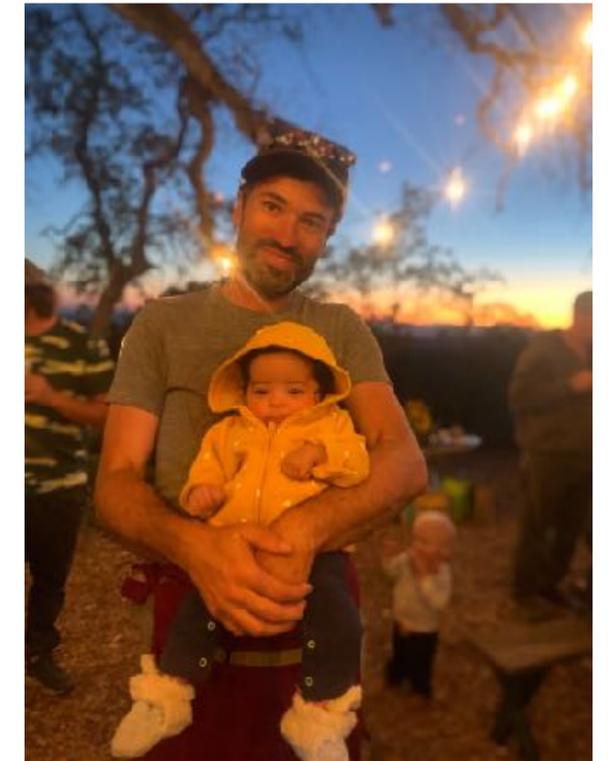
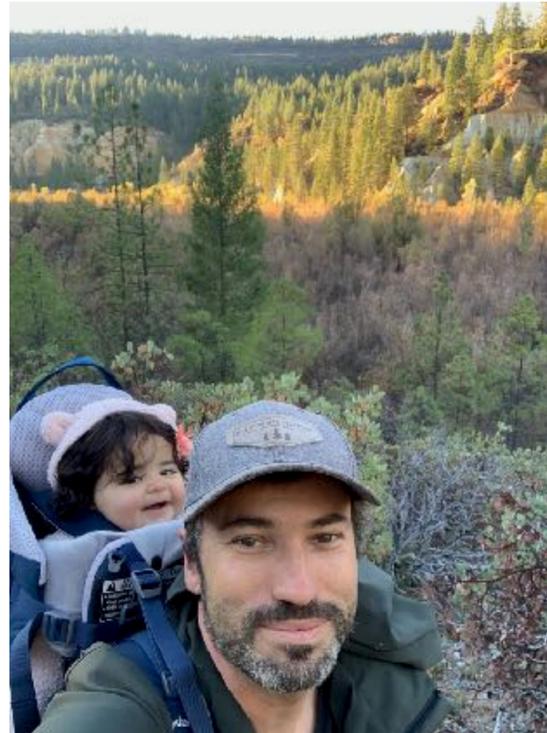
Scott as a Dad - By Ann Marie

When Scott became a dad, I didn't know what it was going to be like. I knew he had a loving and caring nature, so I was sure he would grow into the role, but he's also super squeamish, so I thought diapers and spit up might send him running for the hills.

But from the first moment that we brought Bee home, Scott suddenly grew into a wonderful, attentive, gushing dad. Every morning, he jumps up before I do to get the the bottle warm and to bring the baby to our bed so we can all cuddle. He loves taking her to do all of his daily chores and they jibber jabber and laugh as they walk though the vineyard. Scott and Bee "jam" together with Scott on the guitar and Bee banging on her xylophone. He's infamous for missing her bedtime because they are just hanging out and losing track of time.

All babies would be lucky to have a dad like Scott. They would get to grow up with a dad who teaches them how to see the good in life. He'll show them that they can create lives where the chores are fun. He'll teach them that there's no end to the love that you give.

To be honest, some diapers still leave Scott running the other way, but his devotion to his family is unmatched and I love him more for it every day.



The Rest of the Family



Ann Marie's immediate family - sister (Emily), mom, brother (Paul)



Grandma and Grandpa and their dog, Bunny



Frankie and Bee under the Christmas tree.



Will and Frankie with tiny Cousin Bee



Bee on a visit to see her first mom

More family



Grandma Chris and Grandpa Duane



Ann Marie's extended family



Scott's Brother Uncle Paul



A hiking trip with Aunt Jess



Tito Paul and Bee



Auntie Lana and Tia Alycia

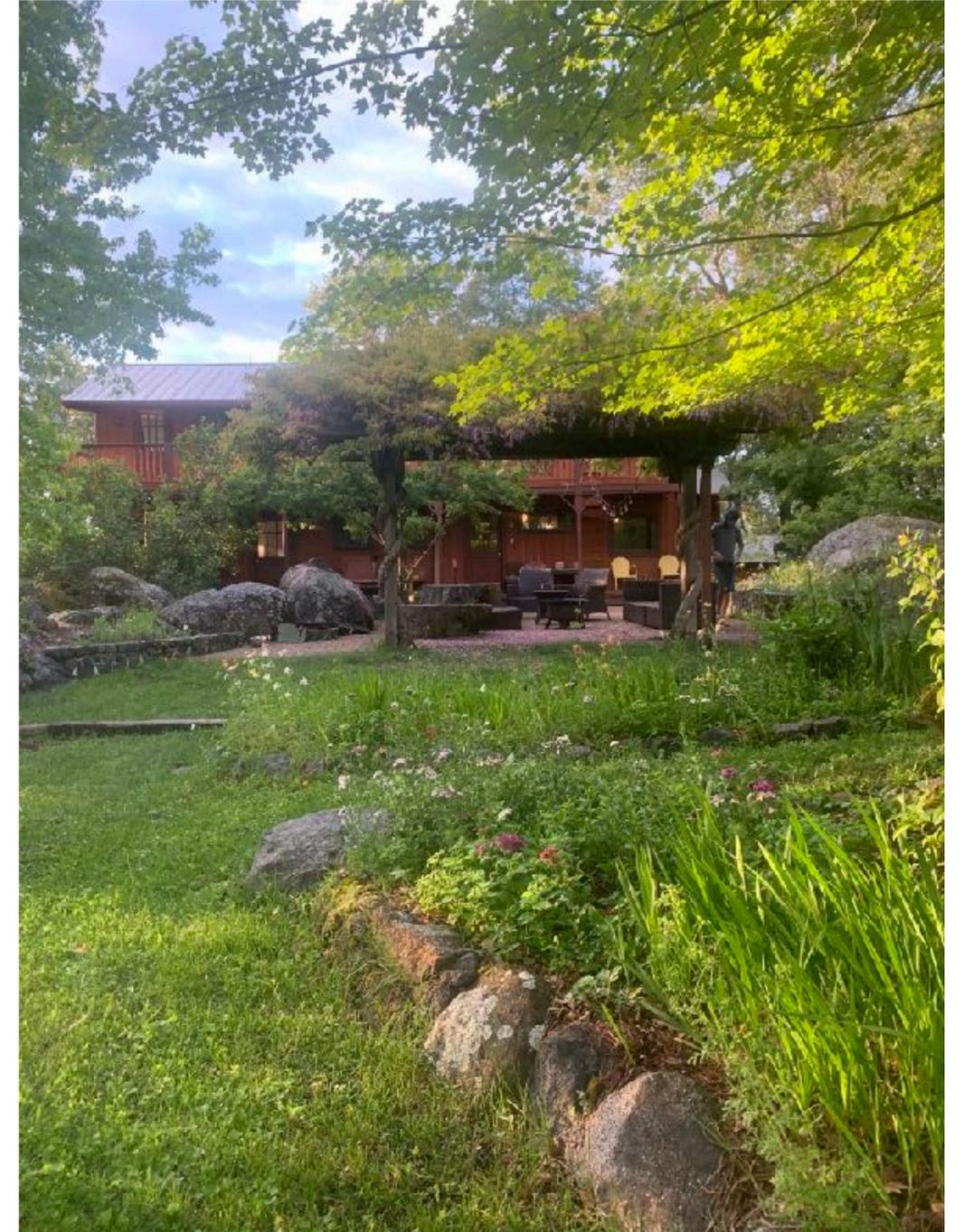


A Day in the Life

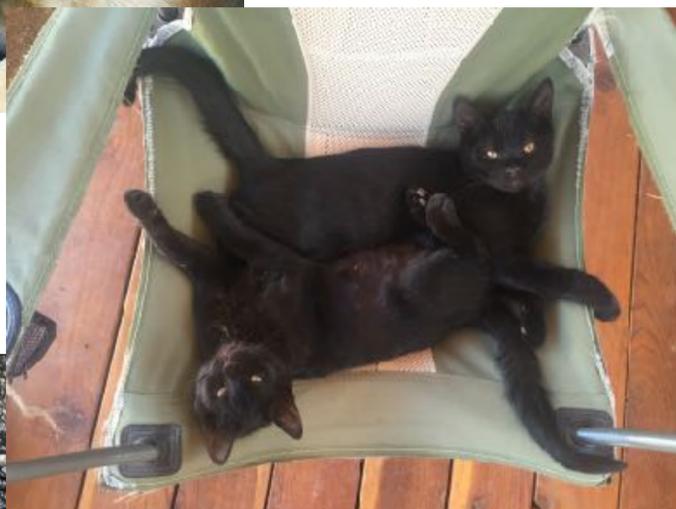
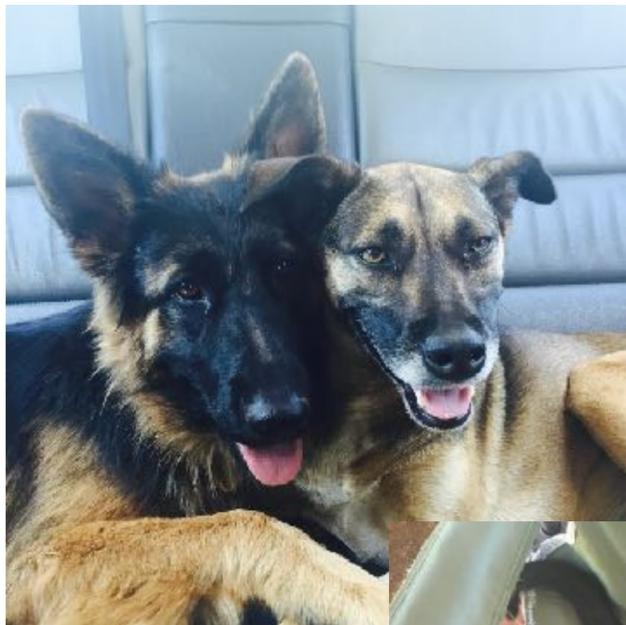


Scott and I both work from home and have extremely flexible schedules. Scott is a Real Estate investor, who does most of the home restoration himself. I work remotely doing garden designs. We own a small organic grape farm with alpacas, sheep, chickens and ducks, and a beautiful organic vegetable garden. Our work is fulfilling and we make our own schedules, which leaves us plenty of time for the important things in life, family and fun.

We love our home life because it allows us to have a safe, peaceful life that is just a few minutes from all the conveniences of our local town, but while on the farm it is as if the outside world doesn't even exist.



Our Pets



Thank you for considering us

