



Greetings from Corrales, New Mexico



Hi everyone! It has

been a long time. Hector, Angel and I send greetings from Corrales, New Mexico. We are doing great and really appreciate those of you who reached out to ask if we were ok, since we sorta did just fall off the face of the earth.

In the previous post we were happily bouncing across parts of the four corners on our way to New Mexico. After Bryce Canyon, we went to Moab, then made a few stops in the four corners area visiting friends along the way and then continued to Albuquerque.



We had a nice neat plan to only take a preliminary look at houses and not get serious about buying a place until we sold our Denver house and had cash in hand. But this plan got upended when we went to an open house in Albuquerque and found our dream house. So we bought it! It is a cute little adobe in Corrales, a rural part of Albuquerque, New Mexico.



Of course this meant we had a million things to do. Close on the house in Denver, sift through and move out of Island Girl, move into the new house, work on projects during the hottest part of the summer. More on all that later.



Also, during this time, Angel was diagnosed with Cushing's

Syndrome – earlier in the year she had been diagnosed with Hypothyroidism. Her ongoing arthritis was getting worse and she was falling down a lot. And on top of that she has gone deaf and has started having some symptoms of cognitive dysfunction disorder, which is common in older dogs. Poor baby!

We had to focus on her health and managing all of her conditions. So we ended up taking her to a total

of four veterinarians in the area (including an acupuncturist).



her control and her mobility has improved, mostly due to
et for her and she gets Chinese herbs as well as some other natural

Our girl is fierce. She now goes for a run every other day around

our property and for a couple of walks daily, occasionally chasing a rabbit. For a 14-year old dog that is great news. She is loving life in the Land of Enchantment. And we are thankful that she is still a happy girl in her golden years.

For me personally, ending our walkabout, the moves, Angel's issues and all of the upheaval was exhausting. I had no energy left to continue blogging.

It has also been difficult to complete this post because it means we have “officially” ended our walkabout. It was a relief to get away from other fulltime RVers after almost four years



completing the task.

We apologize to the readers of this blog for just abandoning it for so long without explanation. The interactions we have had with you all both online and in person were a huge part of the magical experience our walkabout turned out to be.

We still have a few more stories to share about the last few stops in our walkabout. And also our thoughts about the adventure in general. We will do that now that we are pretty settled into our new home. It was a grand adventure that exceeded our fondest hopes.

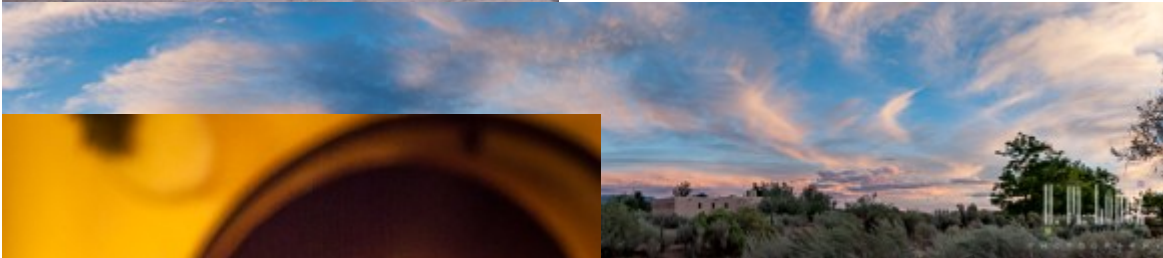




We are sad to have that chapter end. But we have also enjoyed many things about our new home: Alpenglow on the Sandia Mountains, the beautiful sunsets, watching storms over the mountains, the monsoons – big summer rainstorms that usually arrive in the afternoon and stay for only a short while and the beautiful rainbows afterward. Also the many balloons that flew over our house with quite a few landing right next to and behind us during Balloon Fiesta. And our fellow RVers will understand our joy at having unrestricted unlimited Internet access!



We completed many major projects and are loving basking in the glow of toasty fires in our indoor and outdoor fireplaces. And Angel is loving all of her outdoor time, especially now in the cooler weather.



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And although a little late ...

Happy New Year to all!

~ Brenda, Hector, and Angel

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