

# Monkey Love

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Hi Jen.

You need to see this video I got from my cousin. I click the link from the email, just like I always do, and I'm confronted with the cutest thing I've seen in my life. Picture this: there's an orangutan riding an elephant that spots a hound dog. I know, right? Suddenly, the orangutan leaps off the elephant and wraps the dog up in this huge hug. When the keepers try to leave the dog behind, it follows them home. It tracks the orangutan so that they can be together, and when reunited, they happily roll around on the grass together. The humans kick the dog out. It somehow comes back. I've never seen two things more in love, such determination to make things work despite the circumstances. Hell, the whole different species thing you'd think would be a barrier. The orangutan feeds the dog half of its food and never seems to get tired of whatever the dog is bringing to the table. And it got me thinking. If this orangutan could see this dog from twenty feet away and feel such affection, if this orangutan, a fucking monkey, could treat that dog so well, then does it really seem like I was asking for that much?

David

