

Capacities & Petz: A Guide by ouroboros

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📖 Introduction to Capacities

[Capacities](#) is an app that can be used online, on your desktop, and on your phone to organize and link together any kind of information you want. If you're familiar with Notion, Obsidian, UpNote, or other variety of note-taking app, you probably have some idea of what it does. This guide is going to focus on how I use Capacities to organize, sort, and filter Petz-related information.

⚠️ Disclaimer

I love Capacities and I sing its praises to everyone, but **I have no connection to or association with Capacities beyond being a very satisfied user**. This is just my personal method of keeping my petz crew and information organized. Info in Capacities is not easily shareable, and I have no idea if it can be used to make building a crew site any easier.

Additional disclaimer: I use the \$11.99/month Pro version of Capacities. The features mentioned in this guide are available in the free version, **with the notable exception of queries** and icons. (Emojis are available in free.)

📦 Spaces

I set up a separate space in my Capacities app just for Petz. Spaces are used to separate information that doesn't need to be linked together. For example, I have a Personal space with contacts, notes, trip planners, etc. This space is just for Petz-related information.

📄 The Basics



My organization system relies on three main features of Capacities: objects, tags, and queries.


- **Objects** are the backbone. Everything in Capacities is an object. Objects are images, files, pages, etc. You can also create custom objects. In this case, the custom object I created is called "Pet." Each pet in my crew has their information in one of these "Pet" objects.
- **Tags** you are probably already familiar with. Capacities has also recently introduced Labels, which shares similar uses, but I prefer the ease of sorting with tags. My tags include things like categories (Dogz, Catz, Hexed), breeds (Calico, Great Dane), and other things I find useful (Faves, New).
- **Queries** are what allow you to sort and filter your objects. To give you an example of how specific they can be, I could set up a query that allows me to find all of the alley cats I have adopted in 2025 whose favorite color is blue.

The Pet Custom Object


This is my custom Pet object. (*Note: Capacities allows you to choose a plural for an object. In this case, obviously, "Petz."*) Each new Pet object I create contains all of these properties as well as additional block sections where I can add photos, show awards, etc. I use these blocks for notes, attaching external textures, or attaching the actual pet file as a backup. There are also hidden properties (see below) that will display when they contain information. I've provided a screenshot of a blank Pet object as well as the Pet object for Hawk.









These function as my personal crew site. Each of my petz has a dedicated object that contains all of their neatly organized information.



 Pet 

 Collections



Title

 Tags



 Adopted From	
 Year Adopted	
 Generation	
 Birthday	
 Breed Face	
 Personality	
 Favorites	
 Last updated	September 7, 2025, 12:38 PM

 Crew Image 



Text

 Gallery 

Text

 Show Awards 

Text

 Additional Notes 

Text



 Pet 

 Collections













Hawk

Dogz 

Hexed 















FAVES 

 Tags

 Adopted From	hexed by me
 Description	based on the real Hawk
 Year Adopted	2025
 External Textures	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
 Generation	1
 Birthday	August 16, 2025
 Breed Face	Great Dane 
 Personality	Labrador 
 Favorites	blue, beef
 Last updated	September 4, 2025, 09:02 PM

Hidden Properties

These are additional properties that don't need to be displayed for every pet. I can add descriptions (like selective breed or hexie name), the names of overwrites or palettes, checkboxes for things like purebred or noninbred, and show info.

 Description  Overwrites  External Textures  Palette  Purebred  Noninbred  Untrimmed
 Prefix  Show Name  Show Title  Show Points  Parents  Children  Add Property

The Parents and Children properties are unique because they use two-way linking. If I breed a pet, I can enter the names of the parents, which are linked to their Pet object. Two-way linking will automatically populate the "Children" field in the parents' Pet objects.

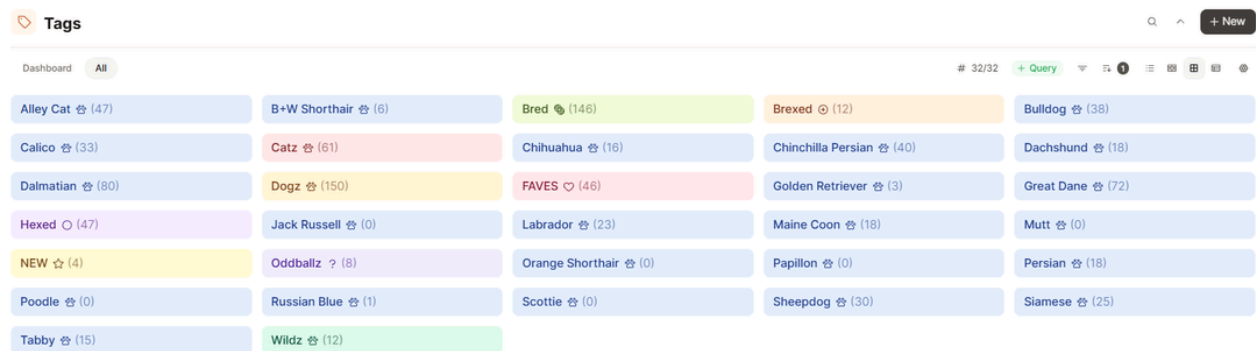
Exporting as CSV

You can export all objects of the same type as a CSV file. (Ctrl+E when viewing your Petz objects.) I recommend using [CSV Buddy](#), as other programs may not interpret the Capacities CSV output correctly.

Currently, **import via CSV is not supported**, although it is on the roadmap. It is *possible* that in the future we may be able to import [PetzChecker](#) CSV files.

Tags

Tags are used in two different places on my Pet objects. Using Hawk's Pet object as an example, he's tagged at the top with Dogz, Hexed, and Faves. He also has tags in both Breed Face and Personality properties.



My tags encompass broad categories (Dogz, Catz, Bred, Hexed), individual breeds, and anything else I want to keep track of. For example, I have Wildz, Oddballz and Brexed tags. I added a Faves tag so I can easily view all of my favorite petz. The New tag helps me keep track of my recent additions until I have all of their information filled in.

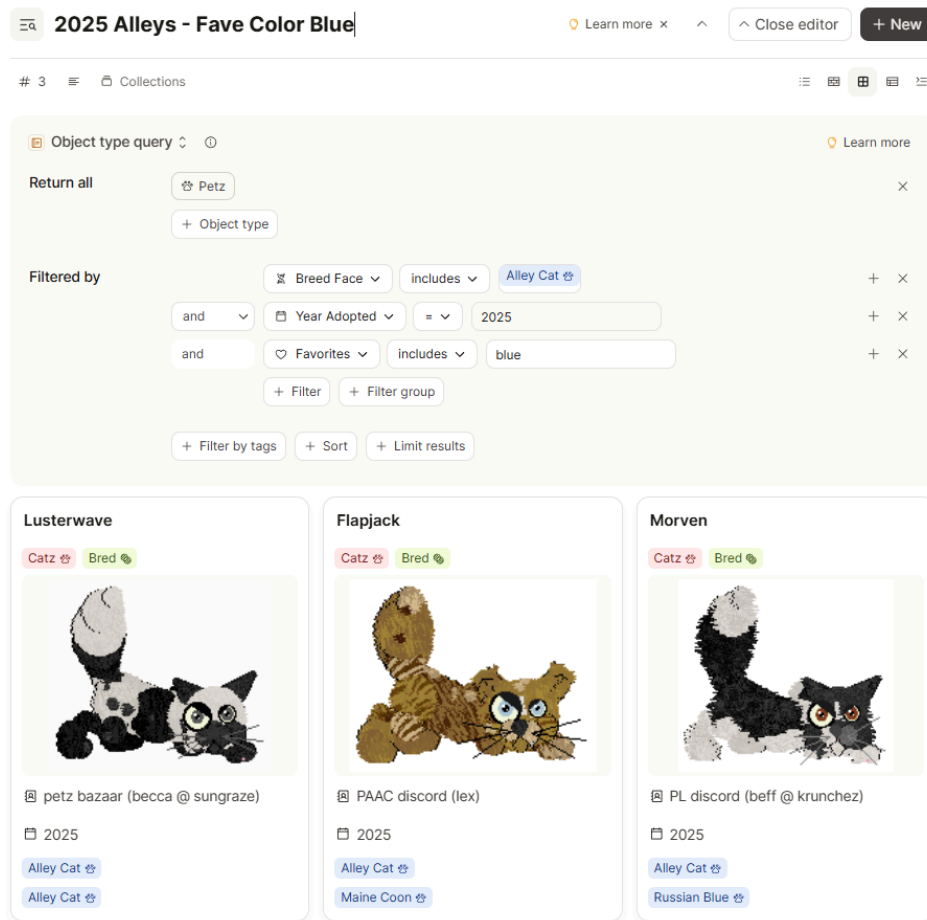
Queries

(available only in paid Capacities Pro)

Queries allow you to sort and filter your objects, and they are much more precise than tags. For example, if I click on my Siamese tag, it shows me *everything* that has a Siamese tag. That tag includes hexies, wildz, and anything that has a Siamese personality.

Let's say I want to breed a litter of Siamese kittens. Instead of browsing the Siamese tag (which contains petz that I don't want to use for breeding), I can make a query. My Siamese query displays all of my Pet objects where the Breed Face is Siamese, excludes any petz that are tagged with Wildz or Hexed, and sorts them alphabetically.

As another example, remember those alley cats I adopted in 2025 whose favorite color is blue? There are three. The power of queries!



Some other ways I've used queries include finding:

- My oldest petz (adopted before 2005)
- All petz that use overwrite files
- All petz that use external textures
- My petz that have a show name

As a feature only available in paid Capacities Pro, queries are incredibly useful (especially if you plan to store a lot of petz info this way) but not strictly necessary. A lot of sorting can be accomplished using only tags.

⊕ Additional Uses for Capacities & Petz

This guide has focused on how I organize and sort my individual petz, but Capacities can be used in any way you want. For example, if you're into showing, you could make a custom object called "Show" that contains all of the show info and awards for a particular pet, and link it to their main Pet object.

In addition to my custom Pet object, I make great use of the standard Capacities Page object. Some examples of my pages include:

- To-do list

- Stamps collection
- Wishlist with links and images
- Potential petz name ideas
- Hexie tracking (eye colors, etc.)
- Hexing links and resources

😊 **Thanks for Attending My Petz Talk**

To sum it all up, everything related to Petz that used to be floating around in folders and hiding on my hard drive is now neatly stashed in Capacities in a way that makes it easy for me to find exactly what I'm looking for.

Thanks to the PC for encouraging me to make this guide, even if it was just out of curiosity!

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