Record Nr. UNINA9910782027703321 Autore Irvine Leslie Titolo If you tame me [[electronic resource]]: understanding our connection with animals / / Leslie Irvine; foreword by Marc Bekoff Philadelphia,: Temple University Press, 2004 Pubbl/distr/stampa **ISBN** 1-282-58189-9 9786612581892 1-59213-791-1 Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (241 p.) Collana Animals, culture, and society Disciplina 636.7/0887 Soggetti Dogs - Behavior Cats - Behavior Dogs - Psychology Cats - Psychology Human-animal relationships Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Description based upon print version of record. Note generali Nota di bibliografia Includes bibliographical references (p. [203]-217) and index. Nota di contenuto Contents: Foreword: Acknowledgments: Introduction: 1 How and Why: 2 Them and Us; 3 From Pets to Companion Animals; 4 Looking at Animals/Glimpses of Selves; 5 The Adopters: Making a Match; 6 Rethinking the Self: Mead's Myopia; 7 Self versus Other: The Core Self; 8 Self with Other: Intersubjectivity; Conclusion: Putting Theory into Practice; Appendix: Methods; Notes; References; Index Nearly everyone who cares about them believes that dogs and cats have Sommario/riassunto a sense of self that renders them unique. Traditional science and philosophy declare such notions about our pets to be irrational and anthropomorphic. Animals, they say, have only the crudest form of thought and no sense of self at all. Leslie Irvine's If You Tame Me challenges these entrenched views by demonstrating that our experience of animals and their behavior tells a different story. Dogs and cats have been significant elements in human history and valued

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