

Will Smith's Dog Succumbs to Rattlesnake Bite

The actor and wife Jada hire Cesar Millan to train their other dogs to avoid rattlesnakes.

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Jada Pinkett Smith, wife of action star Will Smith, has hired "Dog Whisperer" Cesar Millan to train the couple's dogs to avoid rattlesnakes.

Pinkett Smith hired Millan after their mixed-breed dog Rocco was killed in an attack by a rattlesnake at their Southern California ranch.

She told the New York Daily News, "I'm willing to do what's necessary to make sure I don't have this same event happen again."

Millan, who teaches dogs to beware rattlesnakes by training them to avoid the snakes' sounds, told Pinkett Smith that more than 150,000 pets are killed or injured by snakes every year.

Pinkett Smith, who didn't disclose when the dog died, says she was "devastated" by the loss.

Meanwhile, Will Smith told the newspaper that he may star in a sequel to last year's "I Am Legend" that also features the return of his character's scene-stealing German Shepherd Dog, Sam.