



Anja, Oskar & Marc



Dear Birthparents



OUR MOTTO:
*We never go to sleep
without saying: I love you.
And we don't hold grudges.*

First we would like to express our admiration for your courage to consider adoption for your baby.

You already seem to us selfless and brave – we very clearly remember Anja being pregnant and having some worries about the baby, so we imagine you must be in a very challenging situation.

Thank you for giving us the opportunity to introduce ourselves to you and to show you our home. We hope we can give you a good insight into our life.

We are Anja and Marc, a couple since 2007, married for five years.

We have a 2,5 year old son, Oskar, who we love very much and would be a great big brother.

Our house is filled with warmth, fun and joy and we dream of having a bigger family, enjoying children's laughter, seeing the kids play together and hearing them naturally talk in Dutch, German, English and French.

Giving another child a joyful, safe and loved place and a bright future is what we are wishing for. Our hearts are big and our house and garden have enough space.

We think your child is lucky to have you, considering what is best for him or her. Your decision is made out of love and we are sure you are a good person.

Thank you for considering us as a family. We are hoping and crossing our fingers that you find the support you need.



Love,
Anja and Marc

Why adopt?

After many miscarriages we are grateful to have one child. We both grew up with one or two siblings in a loving family and always pictured ourselves with two or more children.



»The Waltons« were one of our favorite TV-Soaps when we where children. We were thrilled by the idea of being surrounded by so many family members.



And why adopt from the United States?

The States is one of our favorite countries: People are open, warm and helpful and the society is so interesting because of it's diversity.

Also we listen a lot to American Blues, Jazz and Soul and we love the National

Parks: Canyons, waterfalls and mountains are incredibly big and beautiful.

We travel to the US every other year and have many friends there.

Getting a lifelong relation with the US through your child seems wonderful to us.



ABOUT MARC

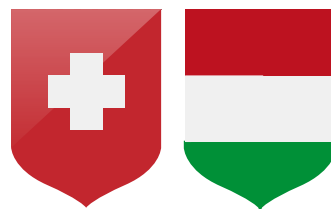
Marc has a really gentle and sweet soul. With his warm personality he makes everything possible, stays calm and is friendly whatever happens.

He is a great father and raises self-esteem and confidence in every child. He loves to play, to build toys out of wood, enjoys life and makes other people happy. Playing guitar and cycling is what he likes to do in his free time. As a mechanical Engineer he understands every vehicle.

Marc is Hungarian and Swiss, and grew up in speaking French and German.

With Love written by

Anja



ABOUT ANJA

Anja embraces other people with her openness, loves nature and is very creative. You get never bored with her. She is full of ideas and loveliness.

Out of everything, Anja can make something great and fun. She is always there in the right moments. Grown-ups and children just love to be around her.

Also she is selfless and helpful and does a lot of volunteering, like working with refugees in a creative workshop. She is an Illustrator, takes pictures and draws a lot.

Anja is Swiss and German and grew up in Germany, and later lived in London.

With Love written by

Marc





Anja went to University of the Arts in Berlin/Germany to study Visual Communication. She graduated with a Master's Degree and works now part-time as an

ILLUSTRATOR and draws for Magazines, Newspapers and Books.



This is the place where we met in Zürich in 2007

We met in Summer of 2007. Our mutual friend Reni introduced us. We were not set up, but to Reni's joy, we just clicked.

This is Reni with her daughter:



»STAY-AT-HOME
MOTHER«
for the first year



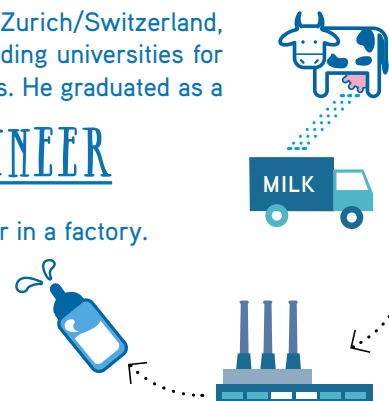
Anja will stop working and be a »Stay-at-home mother« of your child for the first year. During this time Oskar will continue to visit daycare for 3 mornings. After the first year your Child is planned to visit the same daycare as Oskar also for 3 mornings and Anja will continue to work on an easy level.



Marc studied at ETH Zurich/Switzerland, which is one of the world's leading universities for technology and natural sciences. He graduated as a

MECHANICAL ENGINEER

and produces Baby Milk Powder in a factory.



The wedding ceremony in the Parc



Brother & Sisters, Husband & Wife



The former Watermill



Our Wedding in 2010



Our best friends Raphaëla and Michael were our witnesses.



With his best friend NiZhi, who lives next door.



At the playground around the corner.



With Selma, his godfather's daughter.



At the Waldorf-Daycare. Oskar visits Daycare 3 mornings.



ABOUT OSKAR

In December 2015 Oskar will turn 3.

He is so good fun! Always smiling, around other children and doing all the crazy things what little boys do. His best friend NiZhi was also adopted.

Oskar adores to play with kids and would love to have a little brother or sister!

He is Swiss, German and Hungarian and grows up in naturally learning 4 languages.



This is our chilled Cat

CLOÉ



Your Baby will have 4 nationalities!



OUR
NEIGHBORHOOD
AND
COMMUNITY

is full of nice families and great playgrounds. We play a lot together! Good fun!

SWITZERLAND



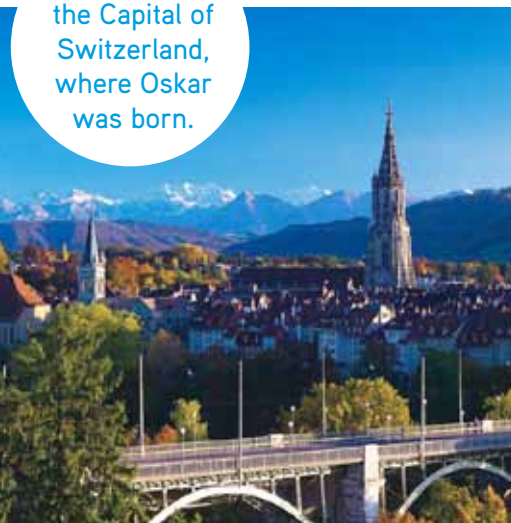
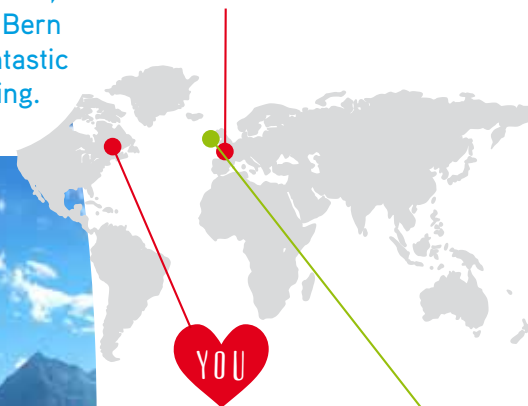
Bern,
the Capital of
Switzerland,
where Oskar
was born.



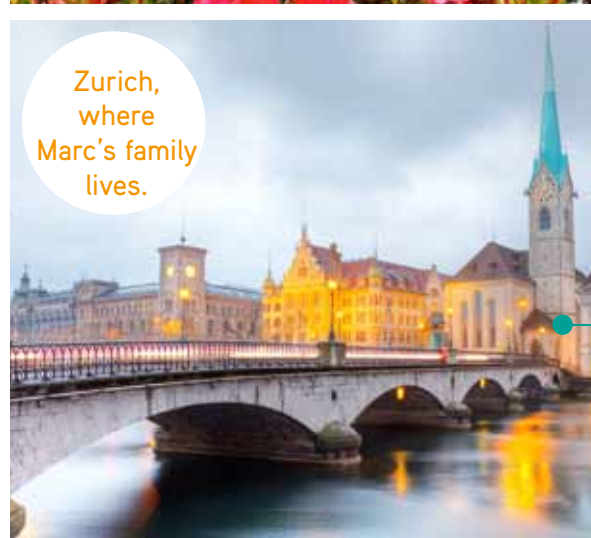
Grindelwald,
close to Bern
and phantastic
for skiing.

WHERE WE
COME FROM,
IT LOOKS
LIKE THIS:

SWITZERLAND



Vierwald-
stättersee:
a stunning lake
with a
gorgeous
view.



Zurich,
where
Marc's family
lives.

WE MET IN ZURICH,
INTRODUCED BY
MUTUAL
FRIENDS,
RIGHT AROUND
THE CORNER
FROM HERE



Davos,
with it's typical
red cog railroad
for the steep
slope.



Amsterdam
with its lovely
little rivers and
boats.



In May
you can see
large fields of
beautiful
Tulips.



The countryside
around
Amersfoort,
where we live.



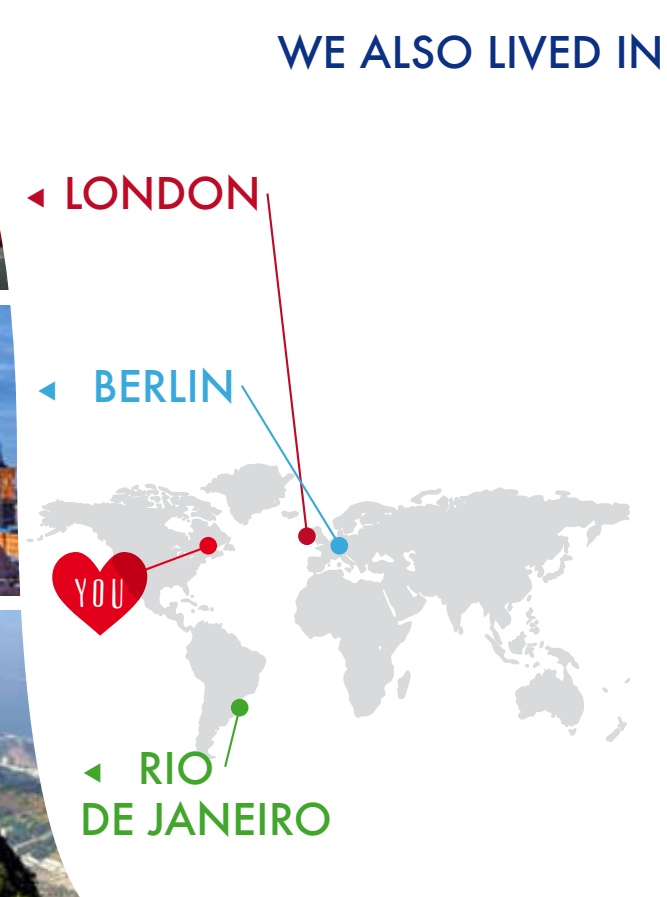
Vlissingen
at the See
is a 1 hour drive
from us.

WE
LIVE NOW:
IN THE
NETHERLANDS

According to an Unicef's Survey, Dutch kids rank as one of the most happiest in the World.

The Netherlands is a very free country and kids feel no pressure to excel in school and have very little stress. Children have a lot of time to play and a right to express their opinion.

Also the society is very childfriendly and parents are highly respected.



WE (AND YOUR CHILD WILL ALSO LATER) SPEAK 5 LANGUAGES:
German, English, French, Portuguese and Dutch.





Marc's
Sister Claire,
(Oskar) and
her
Husband Joe.



Marc's
Sister Anne
and her
Husband
Petros.



Alan,
the Son of
Anne and
Petros.



These are
»Grand-Maman«
&
»Grand-Papa«,
Marc's
parents.

They are all
very supportive and
waiting for your child!



These are
»Oma«
&
»Opa«,
Anja's
parents.

Our Family

GRANDMA, GRANDPA,
BROTHERS, SISTERS
AND THEIR FAMILYS.

Altogether we come
from: Switzerland,
Germany, Marocco,
Greece and Hungary.



Anja's Brother
Helmut with his
wife Monika
and daughters
Juliane and
Annika.



Juliane
is a great
Rider.



Annika's
Dogs:
Babbels
and Ella.



OUR
HOUSE

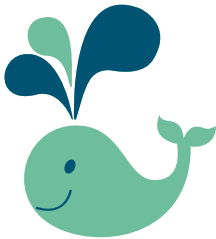


Oskar
sleeps under 3
posters of fishes.
Next to his bed his
favourite toy:
a Parking
garage



A little
Card box
house
to play
»Kikaboo«!

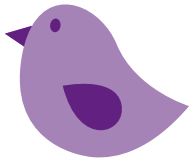
OSKAR'S ROOM



Trains,
Cars and Animals
are toys
Oskar loves to play
with.



THE BABY'S ROOM



Your child will grow up
within a Waldorf-Style
inspired environment,
meaning we prefer
handcrafted toys which
are beautiful and easy

to behold. We will read
books to your child often,
to stimulate your child's
imagination and instill a
love for learning very early
in life.



Birthdays

LET'S
CELEBRATE!

We love
to celebrate and make
every day
a special day!



Christmas

We are Christians and celebrate Christian Traditions, like Christmas and Easter.

In the Advent Season we bake and decorate together to create a nice and cozy atmosphere.

December 24th is a big family day, where we have dinner together at Grandmama's Place.



Easter

Easter is also a lot about decorating. We hide colored Eggs and Oskar and friends are looking for them at Easter Day. Good fun!



Swiss National-day

1st of August is Swiss Nationalday, which is celebrated with a Barbecue with friends at home and a public Firework at Night.



Our Birthdays are important to us, that's why we bake cakes and tarts, buy flowers and invite friends and neighbors!

← This is Oskar's 2nd Birthday, celebrating with his friends from Daycare and Neighborhood. Anja is bringing the Cake and Marc is playing the guitar.



Bea and Tony, our friends we met in Rio de Janeiro, living in New York City.



From Brazil: Beatriz and Helio, with their two children, living in the Netherlands.



Old friends from University: Hans (from Spain) and Elke, with her daughter, living in Germany.



Oskar's Godfather Michael and his Family, living in Switzerland. He is Marc's oldest friend.



Carlos and Barbara with their Son, living in Germany. We met them in Rio de Janeiro.



Muriel and one of her 3 Sons, living in Switzerland.



Maria, our friend and occasionally Babysitter for Oskar. She comes from Columbia.



Old friends from University: Carla with her family, living in Germany



Another old friend from School: Stefanie, living in Germany



Marc's Godson and his friend Manu, living in Switzerland



Old friends from Work: Nici, Sa and Raphaella, each with her child

Our Friends

AROUND THE WORLD

We have friends around the world: in the Netherlands, the US, Brazil, Switzerland and Germany.



All of them encourage us to adopt and will welcome your Baby with open arms.



This is your Baby's future Godfather: Dani, (originally from Mexico) with his Wife and Sons Diego and Pablo. Dani is one of Marc's best friends.

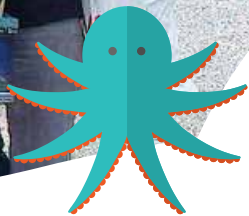


This is your Baby's future (and also Oskar's) Godmother: Raphaella with her Husband and Son Linus. Raphalea is Anja's best friend.



Here we are in Schiermonnikoog, a Dutch Island in the North, where we occasionally rent a house and meet with friends.

Lenni and her family, from Germany.



At
the Sea

Occasionally we drive up to the Sea, to spend the weekend with friends.



Celebrating Sint Jan Feast (similar to a Midsummernight Feast)

at Oskar's Creche. Activities like creating beautiful Flowerheads, jumping over (artificial) fire, building tents and having a picnic with other parents and kids makes it a great Summer Tradition.

SINT JAN /
MIDSUMMERNIGHT



Celebrating Sint Michaël (similar to Thanksgiving) with all of our Neighbors.

Every year when fall starts, we are tinkering kites and share our selfmade food.



SINT MICHAËL /
THANKSGIVING





FRANCE

In August we went to France and Switzerland and in September we cycled a few days through the Netherlands.



VACATIONS IN FRANCE, SWITZERLAND, AND THE NETHERLANDS.



SWITZERLAND



THE NETHERLANDS



We celebrated
CHRISTMAS

in Switzerland and
at home with our Family!



Celebrating
at home,
the three of us! Cozy!
But still missing
another child and
having a bigger family!



The Christmas Tree in
Zürich, Switzerland,
where Marc's parents
live.



With
»Grand-Maman« and
»Grand-Papa«, Marc's
parents and Marc's sisters
with husbands and kids.



Oskar became 3!

*Happy
Birthday*

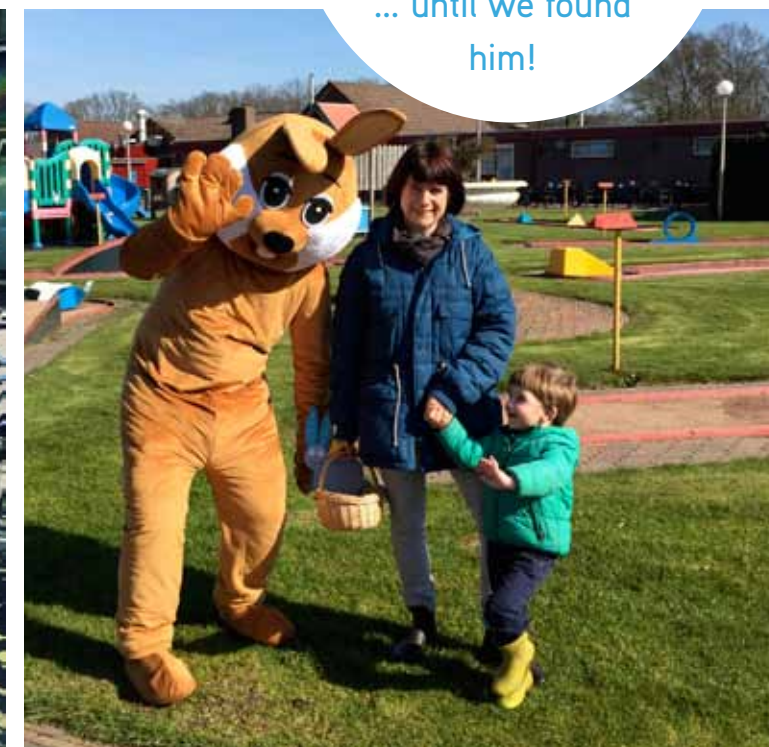
We all enjoyed his Party
very much!



We celebrated
Oskar's Birthday
with his friends from
the neighborhood
and his daycare.

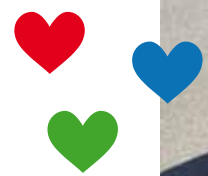


In April
we were looking
for the Easterbunny
on the countryside
and in the city ...
... until we found
him!





In *May*
we went
to Switzerland
to see
Marc's parents ...



... and to
Germany
to visit
Anja's Brother
and his wife!



Oskar is such
a big Fan
of Knights and Kings.
He can't wait to show
his little brother
or sister
palaces and castles.

In *June*
we went
to see
knight's castles
and
dropped
by the Sea.



And had guests
from Switzerland:
Oskar's Godmother
and her Family
arrived!
YEAH!





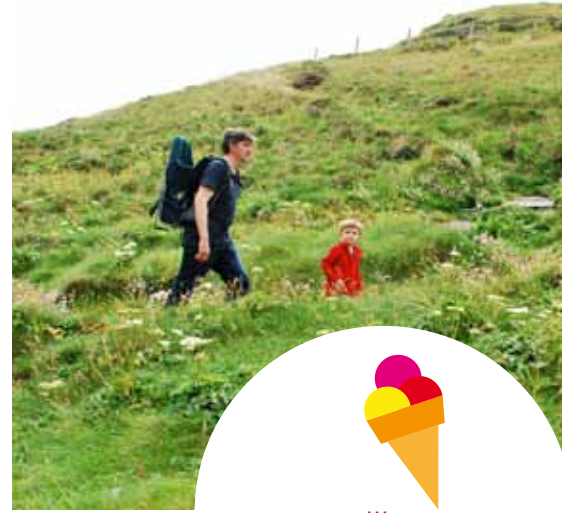
In July
we went on
vacation
in England.



In London we visited
Anja's Cousin Stephan
and his wife Jacqueline,
who is originally from NYC.

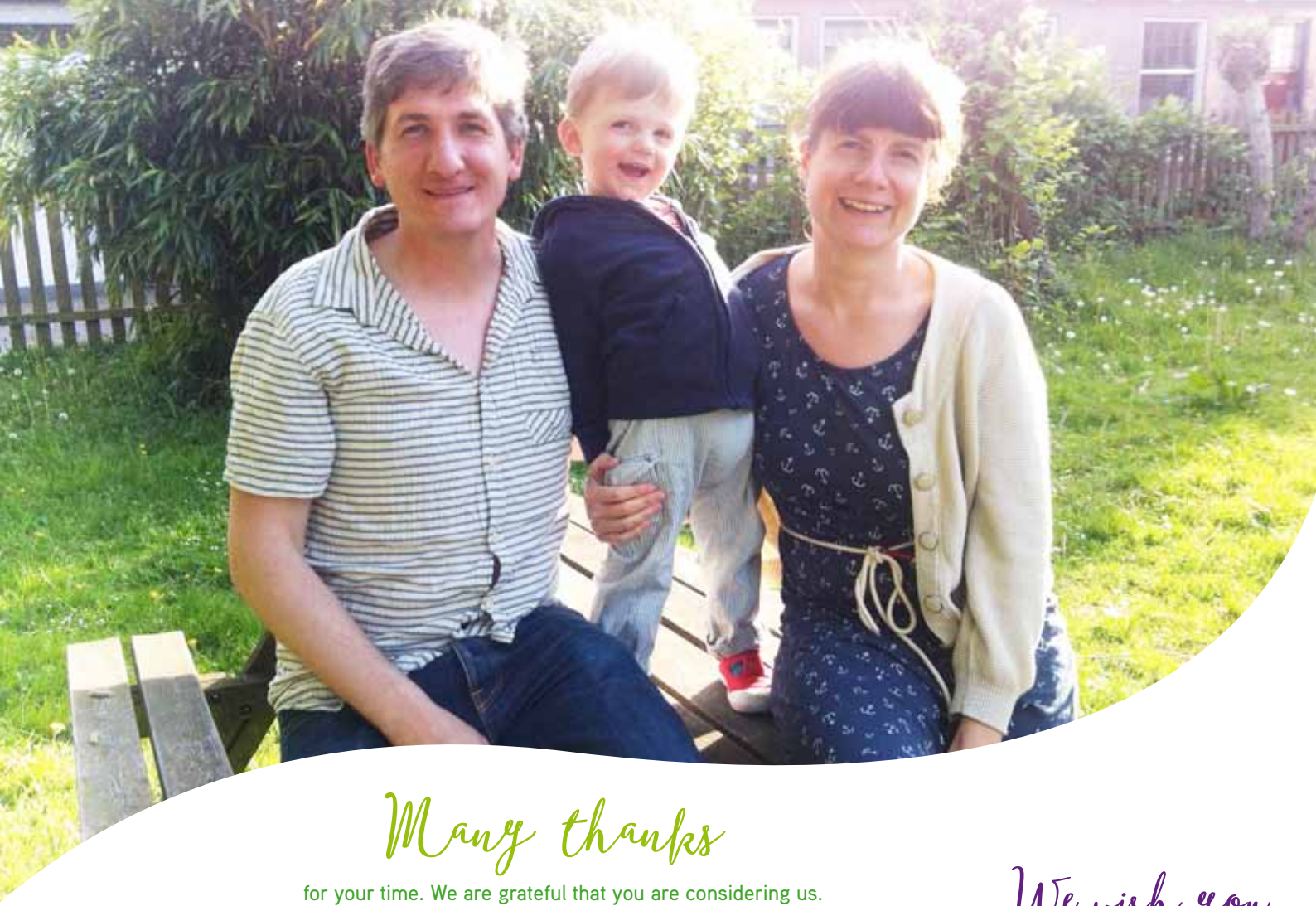


Happy Times and Meals
in our English Cottage.



At the Beach
Collecting Stones,
Singing and
Swimming!





Many thanks

for your time. We are grateful that you are considering us.
We hope you got enough insight into our lives through this booklet.

Anja and Marc

Get in touch

If you would like to get more information about us or the adoption process,
please don't hesitate to contact our adoption attorney in New York.

Michael S. Goldstein, toll-free @ 1-800-582-3678

or call Joy at our adoption agency Forever Families Through Adoption
@ 914-939-1180 / toll free @ 866-922-3678.

*We wish you
all the best!*

And hope that you
find support and kindness
for your decision.