

Dear Potential Host Family,

Hello, my name is Ari Juniper, and I am a fifteen year old girl. I have lived in Australia my entire life; I was born in rural Victoria and moved to Townsville,

Queensland at the start of 2021 with my dad and his wife, Maria, though I still spend some holidays in Victoria with my mother and older siblings. I have

four half-siblings through my mother – two older, two younger – whom I adore, as well as three step-siblings through Maria, who are all much older than

me. When I was much younger, my mother's household kept a lot of goats, but now my older brother keeps cows on the farm.

I have two cats in Townsville called Nico and Leo, who don't quite look entirely identical once you get to know them, and two cats in Victoria called Tux

and Zotz who look nothing alike but are brothers and get along much better than Nico and Leo do.

My hobbies include writing fiction, medium-length walks, and drawing (usually but not always digitally). I love trying new things, meeting new people,

and exploring new places, which is a main part of why I want to go to Denmark this November-January. Ideally, when I graduate school, I hope to move

to Denmark permanently as soon as possible, and I see exchange as a way to test the waters and find out whether I really do want that, since it is

impossible to get a real idea of what a place is like without ever having been there.

Going to Denmark is something I have wanted to do for a long time, for a variety of reasons, the simplest being that it is far colder and less sunny there

than it is here in the tropics, and I do generally better in the cold. I also sunburn easily. I think the language sounds utterly beautiful, and the culture

sounds really cool. Additionally, as a queer person, while Australia is not a bad place to be in the grand scheme of things, Denmark sounds a great deal

better.

I enjoy good health, but am subject to migraines and am partially lactose intolerant – I have trouble with milk, cream, and ice cream when not lactose

free as well as sweetened condensed milk in any context. I cannot ride a bicycle, but I can ride a scooter or tricycle.

Thank you for your consideration,

Ari Juniper.