

The Gray Swimming Trunks, XL

*By Dennis Payton Knight*

*Dear Customer Service:*

Today I am in receipt of one gray elephant, sized XL. It seems a nice elephant, albeit a little hungry, but frankly I don't have much use for a pachyderm, and it does not fit within the pet parameters established by my condominium association. The only thing it has in common with the swim trunks I ordered is the color and size printed on the label. There are other complications, too, and I prefer the swim suit hoping the model I originally selected comes house broken. Please advise on how we can effectuate an exchange of the one for the other.

*Dear Valued Customer:*

We are so sorrilly at your most valued respecton and wish apologize for making mistake believing you would get pleasing receiving handsome gray trunk with four ample legs attached and other features for lesser article with only two. And remembering you order Extra Large. In spirit of friendship we offer you please keep elephant as token of our most gratifying pleasure of serving you. We believing you not need gray swim suit now because fine new swimming elephant will displace all water in your pool. We wish thank you and pleasing you will forever make Maximilian.com your shopping experience for needing yours. Affectionately, at your service, Maximilian.

*Dear Maximilian:*

I do not wish to keep the elephant. Please send immediately the gray swimming trunks, XL, as originally ordered. Thank you.

*Dear Venerated Friend of Maximilian.com:*

Certainly we finding gray swimming articles be most popular items with devotionable and discerning purchasers from all around globular planet like certainly you are and surely you finding great satisfaction and desirableness of item you received. Yours most enduringly friend, Maximilian.

*Dear Max:*

Perhaps you misunderstand. I want to go swimming, and I need a pair of trunks to go swimming in. I do not need an elephant or anything I must feed and follow with a shovel. Elephants are not commonly found in the dry climates of Colorado. He is lonesome and too much in need of water, and he is in search constantly for a muddy bog. He demonstrates a noisy, shrieking discomfort with our population of squirrels, which are actually rodents with bushy tails and much too akin to mice for his liking. If you are unable to provide the swim trunks in XL as I originally ordered, please send them in L and I will go on a diet. And at your earliest

convenience send me a UPS label for the return of this voracious article I am now calling Donald Trunk. But only temporarily, mind you, as I'm hoping he won't last.

*To Our Most Venerated Customer:*

So delightedly you are named fine gray specimen for swimming pleasure. Honorably we are hoping you will find opportunity and pleased to give us five-star review for such better than expected shopping experiment. With pleasurable waiting your next ordering. Your pal, Maximilian.

*Dear Sears, Roebuck and Company...*