

Rottweiler



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HISTORICAL BACKGROUND:

They originated in Rome as drover dogs similar to Mastiffs in appearance. About 74 A.D. the Roman Emperors campaigned to conquer Europe, taking these dogs with them, across the Alps to herd and protect the cattle. They conquered and settled in what is now southern Germany. In Circa A.D. 260 the Swabians overtook the Romans from Arae Flaviae, acquiring the city agriculture and the trading of cattle, keeping the need for the Drover dogs. In 700 A.D. the city name was changed to Rote Wil which became Rottweil, giving the name Rottweiler to the Roman Drover dog.

BREED APPEARANCE:

He is a large sized dog with a height of 23 to 27 inches and weighs from 85 – 110 pounds. His head is wide between the ears; his stop is well defined, with his skull longer than his muzzle. Ears are medium size, triangular in shape, set well apart, hanging forward with the inner edge lying tightly against the head. His neck is well muscled, his chest is deep, with the ratio of his height to length being 9 to 10. He has a docked or bobbed tail. He has medium length, coarse dense straight outer coat lying flat; he has under coat on his neck and thighs, with colors of black and tan, black and mahogany, or black and rust.

WHY YOU WOULD LOVE THIS BREED? They are loyal, hard working, and make excellent herding, guarding and police dogs. They are also good at agility and obedience.

WHY YOU WOULD NOT LOVE THIS BREED? They should be handled by experienced people. This dog can become aggressive towards other dogs and people.

Perfect Pet Rating



Overall Breed Rating



5 Paw Rating: 1 = Poor, 2 = Adequate, 3 = Average, 4 = Good, 5 = Excellent

Rating system for perfect pet includes the following categories: Will this breed bite my child? Would they kill other animals? Are they easy to train?

Rating system for overall breed rating includes all categories.

PLUSES: They are very loyal and love to work.

MINUSES: He must be trained as a puppy and as an adult to gain his respect or he will control your house and the people in it.

WHO SHOULD NOT OWN THIS BREED?

Novice owners, people too busy to train and not willing to get professional help with this breed, should avoid them at all costs.

DO THEY SHED?

This dog is an average shedder. They should be brushed frequently.

WILL THIS BREED BITE MY CHILD?

Well Rottweiler with proper socialization and training may be fine with children they are raised with. However, **EXTREME CAUTION AND SUPERVISION IS ALWAYS RECOMMENDED WHEN CHILDREN AND DOGS ARE TOGETHER!**

WILL THEY KILL OTHER ANIMALS?

Generally good with animals they are raised with. New animals should be introduced carefully and slowly. Please refer to the free article on our website called, "Introducing New Dogs."

WHAT IS THEIR ENERGY LEVEL?

They are a muscular working breed that requires lots of exercise, at least twice a day!

ARE THEY EASY TO TRAIN?

He is an intelligent dog that wants to be with you, but you must establish control, and work with him throughout his life.

WHAT ARE THE HEALTH CONCERNS?

They are prone to Hypothyroidism, hip and elbow Dysplasia, Von Willebrand's Disease, Heart Disease, Osteochondritis Dissecans, Bloat, Cancer, Epilepsy, Allergies, Eye Diseases and or Panosteitis. Buying from a reputable breeder is always advisable and will help to lessen the chances for health problems and congenital defects.

