

Why Male Puppies are better than Female Puppies

Many people believe that female dogs make better pets.

Most inquiries for pet dogs are from people wanting a 'sweet girl'. They think females don't display alpha behaviors like 'marking' and/or 'riding' other dogs. They believe that females are more docile and attentive and do not participate in fighting over dominance.

Well folks, that is NOT true.

In the dog pack makeup, females usually rule the roost, determine the pecking order, and who competes to maintain and/or alter that order. The females are, as a result, more independent, stubborn, and territorial than their male counterparts. The females are much more intent upon exercising their dominance by participating in alpha behaviors such as 'riding' other dogs. Most fights will usually break out between 2 females.

Males, on the other hand, are usually more affectionate, exuberant, attentive, and more demanding of your attention. They are very attached to their people. They also tend to be more steadfast, reliable, and less moody. They are more outgoing, more accepting of other pets, and take quicker to children. Most boys are easily motivated by food and praise, and so eager to please that training is easy. However, males can be easily distracted during training, as males like to play so often. And no matter what age, he is more likely to act silly and more puppy-like, always wanting to play games.

Boys are fun loving until the day they die. Females tend to be more reserved or dignified as they age. Think of the human equivalent of the twinkling eyed Grandpa still playing catch with the grandchildren, at age 70 while Grandma quietly observes from the porch.

Neutered males rarely exhibit secondary sexual behavior such as 'riding' or 'marking' and lifting of the legs. Once the testosterone levels recede after neutering, most of these behaviors (if they ever existed) will disappear. Boys who are neutered early (by 5 months of age) usually don't ever raise their leg to urinate.

And while the female will usually come to you for attention, when she's had enough, she will move away. While boys are always waiting for your attention and are near at hand.

Females are usually less distracted during training, as she is more eager to get it over with and get back to her comfy spot on the couch. The female is less likely to wage a dominance battle with YOU, but she can be cunning and resourceful in getting her own way. She is much more prone to mood swings, one day she may be sweet and affectionate, the next day she may be reserved and withdrawn or even grumpy.