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Boxer - Information Sheet



BACKGROUND

The Boxer originated from the smaller type of Bullenbeisser, which was a type of Bulldog used for bear and bull baiting. When this practice was banned the Boxer became an escort and protection dog. The British Bulldog contributed to the development of the modern Boxer, but this took place before the modern low-slung British Bulldog evolved.

AVERAGE LIFESPAN

This popular dog usually lives to eight years of age, but given lots of loving care and the proper nutrition Boxers can live up to 10 years.

AVERAGE SIZE & WEIGHT

The male dog usually grows to 61cm tall and weighs up to 35kg, while the bitch is a little lighter and shorter at 28kg and 58cm tall.

BREED PERSONALITY, CHARACTERISTICS & TEMPERAMENT

Particularly tolerant and protective of children, the Boxer loves to join in their games whenever the opportunity arises. Even in old age, a Boxer never fails to be interested in family activities - in short, this is a fun-loving, energetic dog with a way of edging itself into the hearts of all those who come to know it.

The Boxer has a stable temperament. It should be a calm self-assured dog, not easily disturbed or given to extremes of temperament such as shyness, aggressiveness or over excitability. This breed is generally obedient and easily taught.

Boxers have all the desirable qualities to make them the ideal family dog. In particular, they are renowned for their great love and faithfulness to master and household, making them a fearless protector of all.

COMPATIBILITY WITH OTHER PETS

Very Good.

CARE REQUIREMENTS

The Boxer's needs are minimal. As long as you provide it with a warm place to sleep (preferably indoors), suitable food, plenty of love, attention and regular exercise, you will be rewarded with a lifetime of loyalty and companionship.

Boxer puppies should be purchased only from experienced breeders who have taken care in selecting sound parents, have raised their puppies in a healthy environment.

IDEAL OWNERS

For those people prepared to look after an energetic and fun-loving dog.