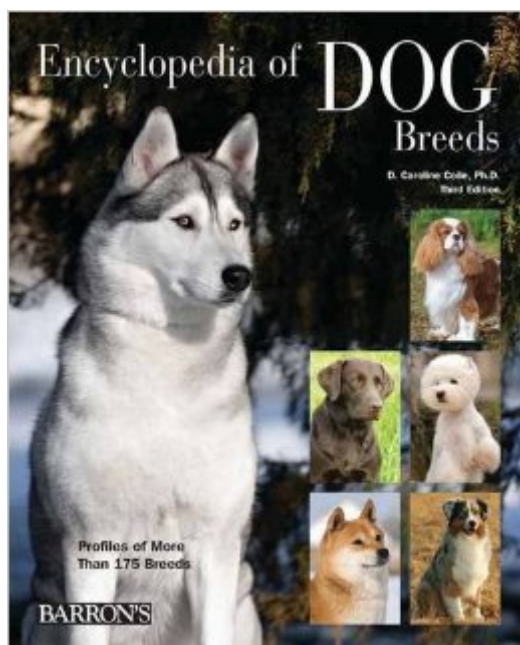


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Encyclopedia Of Dog Breeds



Synopsis

Updated with the latest information on canine breeds recognized by the American Kennel Club, this lavishly illustrated volume has an all-new design and features a treasure trove of information for dog lovers, owners, breeders, and prospective buyers. It begins with a detailed discussion of breed evolution, focusing on the physical and behavioral traits that distinguish one canine breed from another. The book's main section profiles more than 175 breeds, including 27 new breeds, arranged in the general categories specified by the AKC--Sporting Group, Hound Group, Working Group, Terrier Group, Toy Group, Non-Sporting Group, and Herding Group. Advice for prospective dog owners will help to ensure they are choosing a breed that is compatible with their lifestyle and needs. They will also find information on each breed's vulnerability to specific health problems, longevity, exercise needs, compatibility with children, and much more. Profuse illustrations include color photos of all listed breeds.

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Customer Reviews

I must say I am quite impressed Dr. Coile's book. I have had many different all breed books over the years but this one, for total content, has become an instant favorite. It's written so a novice can understand and yet doesn't insult an experienced owner's intelligence. The easy wipe off cover surface and sturdy paper will withstand heavy use from the youngest of readers. Each breed is covered in two pages, with each with a photo: one stacked and the other in a working pose or in a more relaxed natural setting. The "At a Glance" section not only answers the questions most often asked to find that family pet; but addresses specifics an experienced person might use to learn about a new breed. A judge could even use it as a quick

reference guide. Books that cover all breeds of dogs usually furnish a history, a standard and touch on temperament. This book goes more than one step further. Other in depth sections are labeled "Illustrated Standard," "Temperament," "Upkeep," "Health," and "Form and Function." This lovely hard back, coffee table edition is quite heavy. Many may find a eReader version more to their liking. I love my hard cover copy but, as soon as I can, I will also be purchasing the Kindle version for quick reference.

Great book for learning about dog breeds. It includes the history as well as the modern day roles. The charts at the top are particularly helpful for comparing and contrasting. My only complaint is that some popular breeds, such as pit bulls, are left out.

This is an excellent reference book on dog breeds. The current edition is the second one we've had here. We gave our first edition to another person, but we found we just couldn't be happy without this book as a reference. The current edition lists many breeds which are new to the AKC. I should also note that while the current edition is an excellent compromise in terms of completeness and ease of use, it's not the only good reference on dog breeds. Its descriptions of the temperament of some breeds are too complimentary, in keeping with the AKC's general way of description of breeds. But I still give it five stars because it *is* the best compromise in terms of ease of use and completeness - far better than most references which are marketed to the general public.

The Encyclopedia of Dog Breeds provides extensive information about each breed including temperament, intelligence, size/weight, grooming needs, and common illnesses in the breed. I have had dogs of the same breed for over 40 years. I love the breed for their intelligence, temperament and companionship. Now that I am approaching 70 it is difficult to help a 45 lb arthritic dog up and down stairs and in and out of the bath, grooming table and car. My dog has cancer now and will probably only be with me for another year or so. Using this helpful guide, when the time comes, I hope to find a smaller breed that I can properly care for and establish a loving relationship with.

This book has numeric ratings for major dog traits such as friendliness toward other dogs and people, train-ability, watchfulness, etc. I found these at-a-glance ratings to be very beneficial when reviewing each dog breed. It is the best dog book I've ever seen. Some complain that the book doesn't cover enough breeds. But, the trade off is that each breed includes wonderful color pictures and a long narrative of the breeds traits. Each breed has 2 pages of photos and information. If

you're looking for a detailed encyclopedia of dogs, you've found it with this one.

The book itself is lovely, but I got it on kindle and the pages are not correctly formatted for kindle so I can barely read anything. Even when I adjust the possible settings, I can only see a small fraction of a real page per kindle page and it is extremely frustrating. Especially since this often I cannot tell which dog the paragraph refers to.

I was simply looking for a book for my kids to look through since they encounter different dog breeds a lot. This has become my favorite because the wealth of detail and the amazing pictures that are in this book was unexpected. The alternate breed names and historical information on the origins and how the traits came to be, plus temperament with children, diseases etc really made this sort of a coffee table book into a book we open for ideas on our next puppy. Getting another for a gift definitely

For anyone who is interested in general information on dog breeds, anyone who's looking at either adopting, rescuing or purchasing a particular breed of dog, then I suggest you get a hold of this beautiful illustrative, informative and easy to read encyclopedia. If you're a dog lover like myself and want to learn more about these beautiful, intelligent, loyal and loving animals, you really shouldn't go passed this book.

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