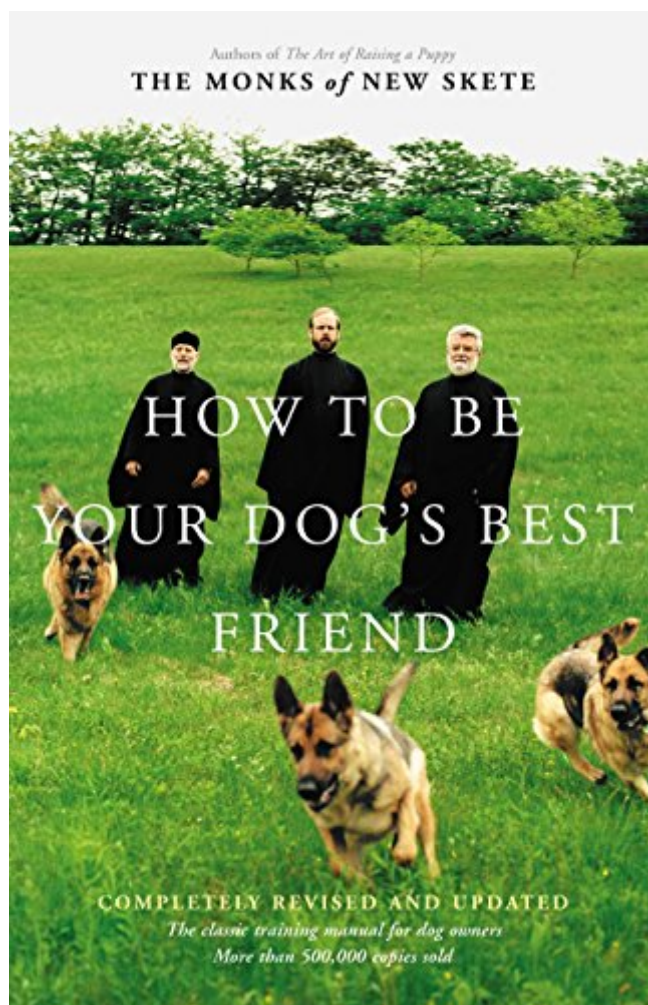


The book was found

# How To Be Your Dog's Best Friend: A Training Manual For Dog Owners



## Synopsis

For more than a quarter century, *How to Be Your Dog's Best Friend* has been the standard against which all other dog-training books have been measured. This expanded edition preserves the best features of the original classic while bringing the book fully up-to-date. The result: the ultimate training manual for a new generation of dog owners--and, of course, for their canine best friends. The Monks of New Skete have achieved international renown as breeders of German shepherds and as outstanding trainers of dogs of all breeds. Their unique approach to canine training, developed and refined over four decades, is based on the philosophy that "understanding is the key to communication, compassion, and communion" with your dog. *How to Be Your Dog's Best Friend* covers virtually every aspect of living with and caring for your dog, including: Selecting a dog (what breed? male? female? puppy or older dog?) to fit your lifestyle Where to get--and where not to get--a dog Reading a pedigree Training your dog or puppy--when, where, and how The proper use of praise and discipline Feeding, grooming, and ensuring your dog's physical fitness Recognizing and correcting canine behavioral problems The particular challenges of raising a dog where you live - in the city, country, or suburb The proper techniques for complete care of your pet at every stage of his or her life In its scope, its clarity, and its authority, *How to Be Your Dog's Best Friend* remains unrivaled as a basic training guide for dog owners. Like no other book, this guide can help you understand and appreciate your dog's nature as well as his or her distinct personality--and in so doing, it can significantly enrich the life you share with your dog.

## Book Information

File Size: 3909 KB

Print Length: 364 pages

Publisher: Little, Brown and Company (May 15, 2001)

Publication Date: May 15, 2001

Sold by: Hachette Book Group

Language: English

ASIN: B001GXP7PS

Text-to-Speech: Enabled

X-Ray: Not Enabled

Word Wise: Enabled

Lending: Not Enabled

Screen Reader: Supported

Enhanced Typesetting: Enabled

Best Sellers Rank: #40,281 Paid in Kindle Store (See Top 100 Paid in Kindle Store) #10 in Kindle Store > Kindle eBooks > Nonfiction > Science > Biological Sciences > Zoology #19 in Kindle Store > Kindle eBooks > Crafts, Hobbies & Home > Animal Care & Pets > Dogs > Training #68 in Books > Crafts, Hobbies & Home > Pets & Animal Care > Dogs > Training

## Customer Reviews

A sensible, balanced, kind, and effective approach to raising and training a companion/family dog. It is ridiculous to even suggest that this book advocates the use of force, and it is unfortunate, because this along with "The Art of Raising a Puppy," also by the Monks of New Skete, is one of the best books available for the casual owner. These two books would be perfect for the first-time dog owner, or someone raising a puppy for the first time. In fact, it would be great if folks would read these books BEFORE making the final decision to get a dog or puppy, as the Monks do a great job of describing in a realistic way, the commitment of time, money and energy needed to have a happy, healthy canine family member. These are not books about how to train your dog for competitive obedience, they are about creating a happy, well-behaved member of your family. One of my favorite things about the Monks is that they put a lot of time into their dogs, and they expect their dogs to integrate into their lives in a way that many people don't. These dogs don't live in a kennel or tied up in a yard. They are actual companions. Each Brother has a dog that he raises, and the puppies and dogs are meant to be a part of life at the monastery. The dogs are expected to lay near the desk or be present at the Brother's workspace, and move about the monastery while they go about their chores. The dogs go to dinner with the monks and are expected to lay quietly without begging. In other words, the brothers and the dogs are partners. While I use some clicker training when I teach tracking (and some fun tricks), and other positive-reinforcement training with my dog as we do various dog sports, these books are always the foundation of my program. At the heart of it, I want my dog to be in my life and a full part of my life. I use the Monks method of crate training puppies, and the puppy is always house trained in about 2 weeks. I also use the monks method of having the puppy "tethered" to me (a leash clipped to my belt loop) and having him get used to following me around as I move around the house during the day. When I am not actively with him or watching him, he is in his crate napping. All of my dogs trained this way are calm, wonderful companions and do well when it is time for more active obedience training for competition. Get this book, you won't regret it.

Easy to read and contains helpful, relevant information for basic obedience training in all aspects of the owners life for pups (though they have written another book that specifically covers raising a puppy) and older dogs. There is considerable focus on encouraging owners to find ways to incorporate their dog into as many aspects of their lives as possible. Does not include much explicit or implicit religious/spiritual bias, though there are short discussions about the spiritual connections that can, or should in their reasoning, develop between an owner and their dog and the greater natural world as a result of owning a dog.

This book taught me how to understand my German Shepherd and appreciate him for what he is. So many dog owners project their own human standards and expectations onto their dogs' behavior, which is terribly unfair to the dogs. With this book, I've learned the tremendous responsibility I have as a dog owner to protect and guide my dog through his journey through a human world.

This book is easily the best book out of the several books I have read on dogs and dog training. The only book that "might" be better is the book the same people wrote, "The Art of Raising a Puppy." They have a really great way of looking at dogs and the human dog relationship that sucks you in and makes so much sense and then you go to try it out and it's all true. I would suggest this book to anyone who likes dogs, weather you have been around dogs your whole life or you just got your first puppy. This book is a classic for a reason.

This is the fourth time in thirty five years I have read this book..this time the most recent version. We have had three wonderful dogs and family relationships with our companions, based in this book and its ideas. The teachings make sense. Easy to read, great base and ideas to get you started to a long term , healthy relationship with your dog.

Too much information about monks and too little about dogs...Some methods are overly harsh and not supportive to good relationships between dog and owner. These owners do not respect the integrity of their dogs.

I have already used many of the techniques in the book in working with my young dog. There is sound reasoning and thoughtfulness behind their practices. I would highly recommend this for new dog owners as well as existing canines.

Bought this for my daughter who has a new puppy because I remembered it from years ago. Unfortunately, didn't really live up to what I remembered. Still some good ideas but not enough for me.

[Download to continue reading...](#)

Dog Crate Training: 8 Tips to Help Your Best Friend Adjust (Dog Training, dog crate training problems, dog separation anxiety, dog potty training Book 1) Crate Training: Crate Training Puppies - Learn How to Crate Train Your Puppy Fast and Simple Way (Crate Training for Your Puppy): Crate Training (Dog Training, ... Training, Dog Care and Health, Dog Breeds,) Puppy Training: How To Train a Puppy: A Step-by-Step Guide to Positive Puppy Training (Dog training, Puppy training, Puppy house training, Puppy training ... your dog, Puppy training books Book 3) Dog Training -Train Your Dog like a Pro: The Ultimate Step by Step Guide on How to Train a Dog in obedience( Puppy Training, Pet training book) (Dog Training, ... training books, How to train a dog, Book 2) How to Be Your Dog's Best Friend: The Classic Training Manual for Dog Owners (Revised & Updated Edition) How to Be Your Dog's Best Friend: A Training Manual for Dog Owners Dog + Puppy Training Box Set: Dog Training: The Complete Dog Training Guide For A Happy, Obedient, Well Trained Dog & Puppy Training: The Complete Guide To Housebreak Your Puppy in Just 7 Days Puppy Training: The Ultimate Guide to Housebreak Your Puppy in Just 7 Days: puppy training, dog training, puppy house breaking, puppy housetraining, house ... training, puppy training guide, dog tricks) Puppy Training: The Complete Guide To Housebreak Your Puppy in Just 7 Days: puppy training, dog training, puppy house breaking, puppy housetraining, house ... training, puppy training guide, dog tricks) DOG BREEDS: Dog breeds, Dog training, Dog names and Dog descriptions with dog breeds history. Over 250 different dog breed types. Brain Games for Dogs: Training, Tricks and Activities for your Dog's Physical and Mental wellness( Dog training, Puppy training, Pet training books, Puppy ... games for dogs, How to train a dog Book 1) Puppy Training : How to Housebreak Your Puppy in Just 7 Days: (Puppy Training, Dog Training, How to Train A Puppy, How To Potty Train A Puppy, How To Train A Dog, Crate Training) Dog Training: The Ultimate Guide To Training Your Dog To Be Obedient and Do Cool Tricks (Dog Training Books Book 1) Dog Training: The full guide to beating the 20 most common obedience issues of your dog and puppy (puppy training, housebreaking dog, housetraining puppy, obedient dog, obedient puppy) Cat Training: The Definitive Step By Step Guide to Training Your Cat Positively, With Minimal Effort (Cat training, Potty training, Kitten training, Toilet ... Scratching, Care, Litter Box, Aggression) Dog Training: 50 Dog Breeds Analysed and Behaviours Explained - The Ultimate Dog Selection and Dog Training

Guide (2-in-1 book bundle) Dog Training: 50 Dog Breeds Analysed and Behaviours Explained - The Ultimate Dog Selection and Dog Training Guide Puppy Training: How to Housebreak Your Puppy In Just 7 Days (puppy training, dog training, puppy house breaking, puppy housetraining, house training a puppy,) Puppy Training: The full guide to house breaking your puppy with crate training, potty training, puppy games & beyond (puppy house breaking, puppy housetraining, ... dog tricks, obedience training, puppie) Puppy Training: A Step-by-Step Guide to Crate Training, Potty Training, Obedience Training, and Behavior Training

[Contact Us](#)

[DMCA](#)

[Privacy](#)

[FAQ & Help](#)