

Bloodhound Booklet

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Bloodhound Traits



Bloodhounds are Loveable



They can be Stubborn



They're Active & Athletic



Bloodhounds like to Chew



They also like to Dig



They love your Furniture



Bloodhounds are Nosey



They are Messy & Drool



They like to Jump on you



Bloodhound Booklet

A Booklet of Photos & Information about Bloodhounds

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Bloodhound Uses



They can be Good Dogs



Good Companions



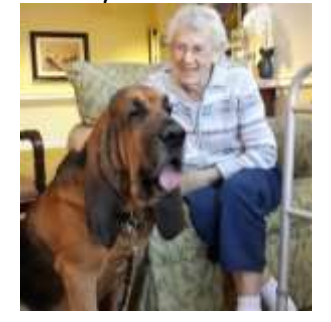
Usually Good with Kids



They can be Police Dogs



Search & Rescue Dogs



Trained as Therapy Dogs



They can be Show Dogs



Do Rally or Obedience



Or just a great Family Dog!



Bloodhound History

Our overview of Bloodhound History is based on lots of research, from many sources; and is represented as the best information we know which we can condense & share.



Bloodhound Needs

From their Owner:
Training & leadership
Variety of socializing
Love & attention

From their Environment:
Large yard & good fence
Room for exercise
Proper shelter

Care & Cleaning:
Eye cleaning as needed
Ear cleaning weekly
Coat brushing weekly
Nails trimmed monthly
Bathe as needed

Other:
A good vet
High quality food
ID (microchip or tattoo)

Bloodhound Health Info:

- Life span about 8-10 years (some 6 yrs, some over 12 yrs)
- Bloat is the #1 problem with bloodhounds (bloat is a problem for many large breed dogs)
- Cancer can be an issue (for most dogs, 1 in 3 or 4 get it).
- Hearts can be a concern; DM as well. Investigate both!
- Hips & Elbows can also be a concern for this large breed.
- Eyes that are unhealthy can have entropion or ectropion.
- *Ear infections, skin & other allergies are rather common!*

Responsible Breeders:

- Breed to the bloodhound breed standard, understand the breed's working purpose and strive to protect the breed.
- Provide health & death details on their bloodhounds.
- Have OFA health information - Heart (should be done via Echo), Hips, Elbows & DM (Degenerative Myelopathy)
- Screen heavily before placing their bloodhound puppies in a new home, and may have a waiting list for a puppy.
- Keep in touch with you helping and mentoring you (as needed) throughout your bloodhound puppy's entire life.
- *Please: Buy from a responsible bloodhound breeder.*

Bloodhound Resources:

Books:

- Bloodhound ~ Nona Kilgore Bauer
- Bloodhounds ~ Hilda Owen
- Bloodhounds ~ Kim Cambell Thornton
- The New Complete Bloodhound ~ C Brey / L Reed
- Bloodhound Health ~ Karen Leskivich, DVM
- On The Trail ~ Jan Tweedie

Websites:

- www.bloodhoundranch.com
- www.americanbloodhoundclub.org OR www.akc.org

Do Consider: Bloodhounds are adorable puppies that grow into large active dogs (perhaps not the pet for everyone).

THE NAME BLOOD HOUND is NOT derived from a dog seeking blood, but they can smell blood. They were owned by royalty (purebloods) and were considered "purebred", of select blood lines or a (a blooded hound)

Ancient History:

Circa 1000-2000 BC - There is an Ancient Babylon plaque of a hound with it's tail curled over it's back.

Circa 630-669 BC - The Nineveh Palace has dog illustration of ancient bloodhound / mastiff.

Circa 55 BC - When the Romans arrived in Britain they spoke of finding great scent hounds.

European History:

Circa 727 AD - French Monastery, beginning with St. Hubert, bred hounds with great noses, courage, endurance and throatiness; most were, black with some red/fawn accents.

Circa 1066 AD - St. Hubert Hounds came to England & were often given to royalty. *(Many look at the St. Hubert Hounds to be the true beginning of Bloodhounds.)*

Circa 1066 AD - Talbot Hounds existed at the same time. Talbot Hounds were white hounds; and later crossed with St. Hubert Hounds.

Circa - 1859/1860 - 1859 - 1st Dog Show in England; Bloodhounds entered in Birmingham in 1860.

American History:

1888 - 3 bloodhounds entered in Westminster Kennel Club.

1910 - American Kennel Club (AKC) had about 200 Bloodhounds, (verses 2,379 Collies, which were the #1 breed).

1952 - American Bloodhound Club was established.

1962 - National Police Bloodhound Association formed (first called the Eastern Police Bloodhound Association).

2005 - AKC had 3,112 Bloodhounds registered. A bloodhound won Best in Show at the Eukanuba National Championship. *(To date no bloodhound has won the Westminster Kennel Club Dog Show, but many have placed in the Hound Group.)*