

Now that you have decided to take a lovely Rottweiler puppy home, here are some tips that you should follow to make sure that your choice of the breed and the puppy is the right one. Remember the puppy you are going to take home is not only for you, but for the entire family.

First and foremost, make sure that you have understood the characteristics of the Rottweiler as a breed and that he is the right breed for you. He might look small and cuddly as a puppy, but remember when he grows up, he is going to be a very strong and powerful dog. Do you and your family have the strength and the firmness of tone to rear a dog as powerful as the Rottweiler?

Read about this breed, talk to reputed Breeders and discuss with fellow Rottweiler owners and make sure you have made the right choice. Remember, once the puppy comes home, he is going to be a part of your family for the next 13 years and you cannot decide to do away with him at a later stage in his life when you cannot handle him. He is your baby forever.

Never compromise on the Breeder. Make sure the person you wish to buy the puppy from is a Breeder of repute and who is willing to guide you on the upbringing of the puppy all through its life.

Then, make sure you see both the parents of the puppy. Check their physique for any physical deformity or disability and their temperaments. Are they unusually ferocious or nervous without any reason? Then, look at their pedigrees. If you cannot understand the lineage, ask the Breeder to explain it to you. Make sure the parents are not closely inbred, as this could give rise to genetic problems in the offspring's at some stage in its life. Never buy a puppy from an advertisement posted on the internet, without proper investigation.

The Rottweiler is a powerfully built dog, very harmonious in proportions. He is large but balanced in every way. There should be no exaggerations of any kind.

Make sure the puppy is healthy and has a gleaming coat and bright eyes. The Rottweiler comes only in Black and tan or mahogany markings and there are no color variations.

Ensure that he has a typical head, not oversized or too small, a good strong muzzle and a correct scissors bite. Check if his pasterns are firm, his topline straight and he is not cow hocked. Also, if it is a male puppy, he must have both his testicles descended in his scrotum. However, remember small imperfections can always be corrected with correct feeding and maintenance and upbringing, but a puppy bred from bad tempered parents must be avoided at all costs. It is very difficult to correct this feature if it is in his genes.

If you keep all this in mind, you will definitely be the proud owner of one of the finest breeds human beings have been fortunate enough to come across with.