

Dogspeak's New Puppy Recommendations

BOOKS and AUTHORS

Dr. Ian Dunbar (especially Before and After Getting Your Puppy)

Dr. Patricia McConnell (especially The Other End of the Leash)

On Talking Terms with Dogs: Calming Signals by Turid Rugaas

Dog-Friendly Dog Training by Andrea Arden

The Power of Positive Dog Training by Pat Miller

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MANAGEMENT & CARE

Crate (sized for adult, with divider to reduce accessible area)

Towel or blanket for crate

Water & food dishes

Nylon flat collar

Thin nylon leashes (2 - outdoor and indoor)

Puppy food (breeder/shelter or vet recommendations)

Poop bags

Enzymatic cleaner (i.e. Nature's Miracles, Skout's Honor)

Toothpaste and toothbrush (small rubber roll-on recommended)

Soft-bristled grooming brush

Wee wee pads

Pen or baby gate (for creating long-term confinement area)

SUGGESTED FRONT CLIP (no pull) HARNESSSES

Freedom Harness

Easy Walk Harness

Sense-a-tion Harness

Balance Harness

Perfect Fit Harness

CHEW TOYS

Curly Qs

Bully Stick

Pig Ears

PUZZLE TOYS

Busy Buddy Twist and Treat

Busy Buddy Kibble Nibble

Atomic Treat Ball

Omega Tricky Treat Ball

Kong Genius

Kong Wobbler

Starmark Bob-A-Lot

Jolly Pets Monster Mouth

FILLING FOR PUZZLE TOYS

Dry Dog Food

Small pieces of favorite treats:

- Wellness Wellbites/Jerky
- Zuke's Filets/Mini Naturals/Links
- Freshpet Dognition

FOOD-STUFFABLE TOYS

Ranch Rewards Sterilized Bones

Kong Classic Toys

Beef Horns

STUFFING FOR TOYS

These recommendations may be combined, layered, and/or frozen. Make sure to keep in mind any dietary restrictions your dog might have.

Wet dog food

Stella & Chewy's Dinner Patties (wet)

Natural Balance Rolls

Peanut butter

Low fat cream cheese

Plain Greek yogurt (i.e. no additives)

Plain canned pumpkin

Canned baby food

PET SUPPLIES STORES

Pet Food Warehouse (Shelburne & Williston)

Petsmart (Williston)

Petco (Burlington)

The Pet Advantage (South Burlington)

Most daycares/training facilities will also carry a few retail items – even the Humane Society!

OWNER-SUPERVISED PLAYGROUPS

Great for new puppies and older dogs alike!

Vermont Dog Club (Essex)

Fetch the Leash (Burlington)

PACK WALKS

Unleashed K9 Adventures: Mary Tracy (802-324-7675)

Vermont Canine Adventures: Tara Martin (802-373-8272), vtcanineadventures.com

VT Barks & Recreation: Kim Frigault (802-922-5963)

DAY CARE & BOARDING

Prima Dogga (Shelburne)

Comfort Hill (Vergennes)

Play Dog Play (Burlington)