



HOME GROOMING - A NON SHEDDING DOG

SLICKER BRUSH - Use a slicker brush to groom your new pet. Run the slicker brush over his/her coat before you go out and it will keep him/her looking smart. Grooming is also important because it gives you a chance to check for lumps, bumps, fleas, ticks or anything else that may cause harm if left unchecked. You can buy a good slicker brush at most pet stores, they are the flat ones with metal spikes.

Non-shedding dogs usually have very sensitive skin, which is why they often lick red spots on their skin. These spots are flea bites and your new pet can be rather allergic to fleas – which is common in non shedding breeds. They will be a lot more relaxed and less itchy after you wash them.

Please note: When using an on-line store, if you order everything in one purchase many times the shipping is free.

Wash your new pet in-between grooming. Please note that washing once a month is recommended. Over-washing can lead to dry skin. Washing them also washes away flea eggs and keeps their skin clean, making them smell good. Never use human soap on them because the ph level is too high.

FLEA CONTROL

Your new pet needs prescription topical flea control. They will also need heart worm medication, which your vet will prescribe. Fleas are not as bad in winter as summer, so you can cut the flea control (Frontline, Revolution, Comfortis, Advantage, K-9 Advantix...etc.) down to once every six weeks to stretch the budget further.

Once you have a prescription, you can order your flea prescriptions online at an online store such as:

www.entirelypets.com

www.1800petmeds.com

Dog.com

Petrx.com

PetMeds.com (and there are many others, just Google for more).

Ordering online is much less expensive.

PROFESSIONAL GROOMING

Your new pet will probably need to be groomed once every eight weeks. Not sure yet how fast their hair grows.



PET INSURANCE

The most common dog emergency/death is car accident and ingestion of foreign or poisonous objects.

For pet insurance, here's a suggestion: www.petsbest.com

FEEDING YOUR NEW FAMILY MEMBER

With their sensitive skin you want to keep the diet real simple.

When feeding your new pet you might consider making them "sit and stay" before they chow down. If they don't finish their measured meal (which I doubt), then you take it away.

DIET IS EVERYTHING. GOOD CONTROLLED DIET MEANS GOOD TEETH, GOOD BREATH, GOOD DIGESTION, LONGEVITY, GOOD COAT, GOOD SKIN....GOOD DIET KEEPS THE VET AWAY!

EXERCISE AND DISCIPLINE

Dogs need a walk at least once a day, even if you have a big backyard. They get bored. Bored dogs make unhappy and annoying dogs. Bored dogs bust out of the yard all the time.

WHAT CAN HURT, KILL, MAIM

- Personal objects that smell like family members left lying around on the floor. Dirty underpants, socks, t-shirts, even bras. Ask your emergency vet if you can check out his collection of x-rated x-rays and it will blow your mind what a dog can choke on in the name of love.
- Chocolate is pure poison to dogs. Make sure they never get ahold of chocolate. If they ingest chocolate, you need to take them to the vet immediately.
- Bad diet. Most people kill their dogs with poor diet. Dog should always have a waistline.
- Cars.

Your new pet is a dreamboat. If you ever need advice on how to handle any issue with your new pet, please call or email us. All the stuff above may sound overwhelming at first, but if you follow this simple advice you'll save yourself a lot of hassle in the long run. We want you to have a good time with your new, "fur-ever" family member.

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