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Miniature Schnauzer (Comprehensive Owner's Guide)



Synopsis

This Comprehensive Owner's Guide to the Miniature Schnauzer serves as a complete introduction to one of the world's most popular terrier breeds. Hailing from Germany, the Fatherland of all three schnauzer breeds, the Miniature Schnauzer has been a favorite in the United States since the mid 1920s when it was first accepted by the American Kennel Club. The book begins with a solid chapter on the breed's history, tracing its origins in Europe, its development in America and the United Kingdom, illustrated with historical dogs and important paintings that depict the breed. The chapters on characteristics and the breed standard encapsulate all of the virtues of this robust and active dog, offering sound advice about which owners are best suited to the breed. New owners will welcome the well-prepared chapter on finding a breeder and selecting a health, sound puppy. Chapters on puppy-proofing the home and yard, purchasing the right supplies for the puppy as well as house-training, feeding, and grooming are illustrated with handsome Mini adults and puppies bursting with personality, intelligence, and mischief! In all, there are over 135 photographs in this compact, useful, and entertaining volume. The author's advice on obedience training the Miniature Schnauzer, a breed that has its own ideas and can pose a challenge to novice owners, will help readers better mold and train their dogs into the most socialized, well-mannered Minis in the neighborhood. The extensive chapter on healthcare provides up-to-date detailed information on selecting a qualified veterinarian, vaccinations, parasites, infectious diseases, and more. Sidebars throughout the text offer helpful hints, covering topics as diverse as historical Mini kennels, toxic plants, first aid, crate training, carsickness, fussy eaters, and parasite control. Fully indexed.

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Customer Reviews

I adopted a mini (7 months old) from our local animal shelter in May 2009 after my mixed breed rat terrier passed away. My previous dog was older when I adopted her and had many health problems throughout her life. I have never had a puppy before, so I didn't know what to expect. I also wanted as much medical information as possible. This book is geared towards the purebred dog, esp AKC registered, but has much info that is very helpful for any mini. My vet thinks our mini is purebred, but you can never be sure. The most helpful things I found in this book were the health information (ESP the eye disease info) and the first aid and grooming recommendations. I also own the mini book by Terra Nova. I really suggest both because the Terra Nova book goes into much more detailed info on overall characteristics. This book gives a long detailed history of the mini and a lot of info for showing your dog, neither of which I am interested in. But, the book is well worth the purchase for the eye disease knowledge alone, as it mentions more health issues than the Terra Nova did. I would definitely purchase this book again and felt it very worthwhile to read.

Miniature Schnauzer (Kennel Club Dog Breed Series) This is the best information I've seen yet for the miniature schnauzer. Better information on the breed than other books I have read, which just says this breed is a terrier. Explains puppy behavior very well. Easy to read. For first time dog/puppy owners, I recommend reading this book before purchasing/adopting the canine.

Having a schnauzer this book is wonderful it explains what all schnauzer owners need to know from health to grooming. It also, explains the dogs behavior and training of a schnauzer telling where the breed comes from which was Germany. With this information more research can be obtained about this breed.

This is a great book for the new owner of Schnauzer and there a few new points I have learned. But, there is nothing like having a Schnauzer for a few years and finding out the joys of having a loyal companion. For me the book is a four, but others who are new would probably give it a five.

It has been many years since we have owned a dog, and never a Schnauzer! He is all personality and a bit "stubborn"! We fell in love, immediately. This book has been very informative for us. We

needed to know the idiosyncrasies of the breed, and what to expect. He is our TREASURE!

This is a great book to establish everything you should know to understand this very intelligent breed. It also establishes the minimum maintenance that this very special breed deserves.

This is very comprehensive and a great reference about Miniature Schnauzers. I wish they had a bit more on general health though. Other than that, a great book that I would recommend!

Im truly impressed I have 3 books and all of them have diff. info that has been helpful... but I have to say this one so far seems the best...

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