

Breeder Tips from United All Breed Registry

Video of interest...



History of the change in the German Shepherd Dog since the 1940's



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Because We Care

Being a responsible and ethical breeder is a lot more than just keeping the water dish clean and providing sufficient play area for our dogs. Since most of our UABR breeders are serious, careful breeders, let's talk about what it means, and be a help to newer breeders among us who are just learning the ropes.



Mankind bred all dogs from wolves

For starters, take a look at our [Breeder Code of Ethics](#). Every time we sign a litter application with UABR, we are stating that we are in agreement with these ethics. Among other things, it states that we "take every opportunity to learn more about my profession and to improve my services above personal gain."

For impulsive breeders, breeding animals means getting a male and female of the same breed together and letting nature take its course. At best, they might make sure both animals have valid papers and no visible abnormalities.

Responsible breeders, on the other hand, may spend 3 or 4 years developing their stock for a particular mating. We use breeder software to play continually with hypothetical matings, analyzing the resulting pedigrees for inbreeding coefficients and relationship percentages. We study the various lines that our breed has developed from over the centuries and we watch show and trial results to see which lines are yielding the best animals. We talk to other breeders about what matings they see working out well. We get appropriate OFA and genetics tests and all our dams and sires before they are mated. We access AI sperm to tap into the best bloodlines.

A responsible breeder's passion is the enhancement of the breed, because we love our dogs.

A must-see program on the entire history of dog breeding.
90 minutes



And Man Created Dog
a National Geographic
presentation

Other questions to ask ourselves:

- Do I have a plan for every unsold puppy before they are whelped?
- Would I choose an animal for breeding just because of an excellent pedigree, even if it showed traits undesirable for the breed?
- Would I allow one of my sires to be bred to an unpapered dam just for the stud fee or the remainder of the litter?
- Do I support or volunteer with a rescue group for my breed(s), re-homing dogs that have been abandoned by irresponsible pet owners?
- When looking for a pup to add to my breeding program, do I interview the breeder about their ethics and their breeding program?
- Do I sell my less-than-top-notch and mixed breed (Designer) puppies without breeding privileges ("Limited") or impose neuter/spay requirements?
- Am I working hard at eliminating genetic diseases from my breed?
- Do I have a 'return to breeder for any reason' clause in my sale contract?
- Do I carefully screen potential buyers to ensure that they will provide a good home for my animals?
- Do I breed for show-ring traits even if they have been proven to be detrimental to my breed?

Bottom line: Responsible breeders do not contribute to the problem of pet overpopulation. We preserve and improve upon the wonderful diversity of the breeds we now enjoy because of centuries of responsible breeding.