

MYTHS About Breeders



MYTH: Buying from Breeders kills shelter dogs

This isn't true. Reputable preservation breeders only place with people who they believe will provide lifelong good homes for their dogs. If the home does not work out, they have contracts where the dog or puppy must be returned to the breeder. Irresponsible owners and many BYB create the shelter dog problem.

MYTH: Breeders are just in it to make money

If they are making money, they are probably doing it wrong. The money that is put into each of their dogs, with health testing, showing/titling, health screening of the bitch (yearly), stud fees, and general cost of care for the bitch & puppies can be much more than the amount they get back from selling the puppies. Expenses can vary, but it can get to 25k for one litter, most breeders wouldn't even break even. They are not in it for the money.

MYTH: Mix Breeds are healthier

Not necessarily true. Studies have shown that mixed breeds are not any healthier than purebred dogs. It has also been found that mixed breeds could develop more health conditions versus purebred dogs. You have no idea what health issues have occurred in the dogs lines, and mixed breeds could get the worst from whatever breeds are behind it. Not saying all mixed breeds are unhealthy, but with unknown heritage you will never really know what you are getting. Reputable preservation breeders health test their dogs and strive to try and breed health issues out of their breed.

Dogs are a privilege. You should think a lot about what you are looking for in a dog as a part of your family. Take the time to research about the breed you are thinking of getting, and the lifetime responsibility & commitment of their care.

Shelter dogs are not for everyone and dogs from breeders are not for everyone.

Pick the dog that is right for you.

But it's absolutely NOT all right to shame people for their choices on where they get their family companion.

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