GOLDEN RETRIEVER PUPPY CARE GUIDELINES

Congratulations on getting your new puppy! We love our puppies and have tried to give them the best possible care before leaving our home. We are learning new things all the time. That is the blessing of raising puppies. This feeding routine has work well for us.

At four weeks we start our puppies on puppy chow mixed with lamb milk adding warm water, this looks like a bowl of cereal when finished and ready to feed to our puppies. We let the puppy food sit for about 5 minutes before giving it to our puppies. Our puppies learn very quickly to love and count on this routine.

We continue to practice this routine till they are about 8 weeks old. At 8 weeks we no longer use the lamb milk. We also no longer use warm water. Puppies are old enough to use dry kibble only at this age. We use Diamond Puppy Chow from this time forward.

We start at 8 weeks only feeding twice a day.

We let our puppies eat as much as they want for about 10 or 15 minutes, then we take their food away. We like our puppies to be on a feeding schedule. If puppies are "free eaters," they are, "free poopers". Haha... Reason for schedule being nice practice.

This has worked well for our family. This is your puppy with your family schedule. It is fun to try and learn together what works best for you and your new baby!

We do not continue the lamb milk after about 7 to 8 weeks. So picture is only for reference, not recommended to purchase.

We also like to keep water out all day for our new puppy to drink freely. At around 6pm we put the water bowl away while we are potty training to also establish good potty training habits.

It's common for puppies to become car sick during their first trip away from their birthplace and lose their appetite for the first two or three days. Please do not change their food from what they started after being weaned until they get a little older and settle down into their new home. Sometimes, it helps to add a teaspoon of canned dog food and mix it in with their puppy chow to restore their appetite. These recommendations are also used by our vet.

Thank you for getting a puppy from us. Any questions please contact us at 928-243-3760. It is also always recommended to contact your veterinarian with any concerns with your new puppy.



