

Shopping List

Amazon Shopping Lists Below: <u>Basic Puppy Supplies</u> <u>Puppy Food & Treats</u> <u>Grooming Tools & Supplies</u> <u>Puppy Potty Training Supplies</u>

1.Food and Water Bowls – Heavy and Tip Proof Bowls (\$20) Tip Proof Travel Bowl

2. **Collar & ID Tag, Leashes** (6 ft. and 15–30 ft. retractable), HIGHLY recommend a simple MESH harness for your puppies first few week of learning to walk on a leash. <u>Mesh Harness</u> Grooming tools: brushes, shampoo, animal nail clippers, tooth brush/fresh breath water additive. (\$20 - \$30)

3. **Enzyme Cleaner** (for those puppy potty accidents) *Simple Solution* or other generic. (\$30) <u>Spray Floor Cleaner</u>

4. **Toys** (\$20 or more!) Remember, they can turn the simplest things into play time. Empty boxes, ribbon, crumpled paper, bouncy playground ball (a personal FUN favorite), etc... Invest in some Bully Sticks, Cow Hooves, Squeaky or Crinkly toys and a few Rope toys that you can easily toss. Please avoid rawhide dog chews and dollar/grocery store chews. <u>Toys</u>

5. **Healthy Chews:** Invest in some Bully Sticks, Bully Slices, Collagen Sticks. *Please AVOID cheap off brand RAWHIDE dog chews and cheap dollar/grocery store chews or treats. As they can be extremely dangerous.*

Treats: I do NOT recommend purchasing any training treats at this time, as they frequently cause diarrhea and have unhealthy preservatives in them. **Pieces of their dog food kibble work well for training!** If you would like to give your puppy treats I advise a natural meat, food grade, jerky like this one: Chicken Jerky. Aussies are usually very food motivated. Please try to train your dog to eat carrots (and/or other raw vegetables), as they love the crunch and it's great for their teeth!

5. **Puppy Food** – feed a quality meat & grain based dog food. You can purchase a reputable dog food either on-line or in a pet store. (\$40-\$80) *The puppies are currently eating Diamond Puppy* You will receive a baggie of this food at pick-up in order for you to transition your puppy slowly to your new chosen food.

6. Dental Care/Fresh Breath - You are encouraged to train your dog in getting their teeth brushed from a young age, BUT if you have an uncooperative pooch, try one or more of the



following each day: Carrot Stick, Greenies, DentaStix, Dental Water Additive, Raw Frozen Chicken Wings or any sort of Raw Bone Marrow. (\$5-\$20) <u>Water Additive</u>

7. **Kennel, Crate or Puppy Pen** (It's highly recommended that you kennel train your puppy for the purposes of potty training) – Approx. 30" X 21", for 20-35lb puppy (\$65 - \$90) <u>Wire Crate</u>, Puppy Pen

8. **Dog Beds** - One for them in the house and one that you can use in the crate, they usually make fleece ones with bumpers that fit the shape of the kennel or crate you are buying (\$20 - \$30) Don't spend too much, sometimes you may get a puppy that just chews up their beds! In which case use old towels/blankets or don't give them any bedding at all until they get older!

Recommended Reading List:

(Click on each item for a direct link to the item on Amazon.com)

'The Art of Raising A Puppy' by The Monks of New Skete

'How to Be Your Dogs Best Friend' by The Monks of New Skete

'The Australian Shepherd-Champion of Versatility' by Liz Palika

If you have younger children at home:

'Raising Puppies and Kids Together: A Guide for Parents' by Pia Silvani & Lynn Eckhardt

If you are not a reader, this video series is highly recommended and is on DVD.

-Great for watching together as a Family Raising Your Dog with the Monks of New Skete

Current Food They are Eating:

