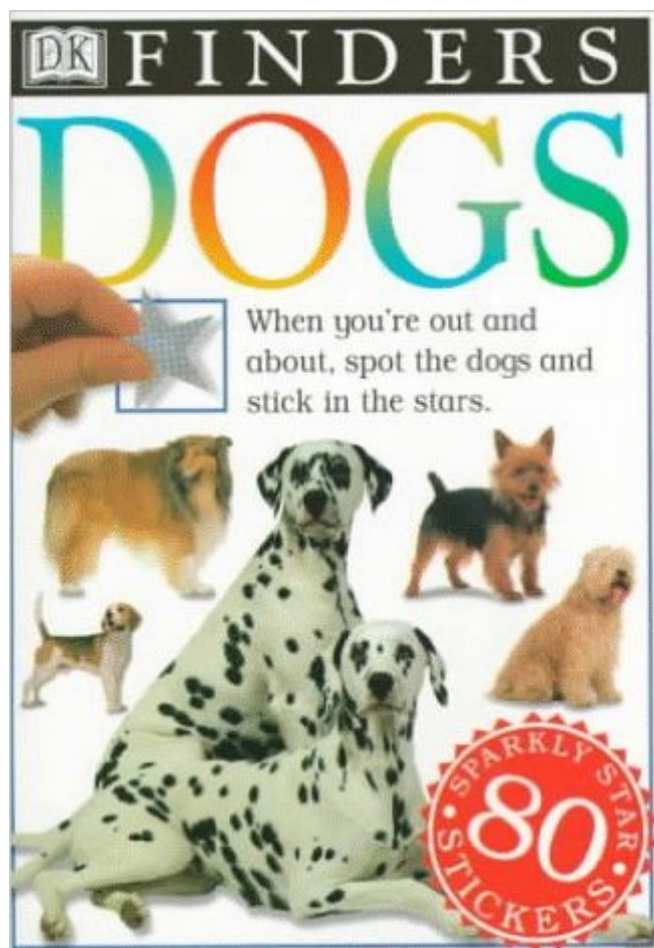


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Customer Reviews

It may seem kind of silly, but in our household we must have thumbed through the pages of this book about a thousand times! Someone seems to take the book from the bookshelf and leave it lying on the coffee table each week. Since you never actually read this kind of book cover-to-cover (it's really a fancy picture book), you always seem to find something new. The handbook is a wonderful guide showing almost every breed imaginable. Approximately one page is dedicated to each breed (there's the occasional 2-page dedication to popular dogs as well as 2 dogs per page for some lesser known breeds). After finding a breed which catches my eye, I enjoy jumping onto the internet to learn more from a dog club's web site. The book may be light on detail, but there's just enough to get you interested to learn more. And the pictures are great. If you're trying to decide on which breed is right for you, this book may be appropriate as a first step in your decision - but you'll have to go elsewhere to learn more. Make no mistake, there's a lot to learn about each breed which isn't described in this book. After getting some ideas as to which dogs may be right for you, call a breeder or talk to the personnel at your local SPCA. As a quick picture guide, we have found no better. Compact in size (8.5"x5.5"), it's a great book to carry to a dog show as well.

I think this is a very good book, the pictures are amazing with very quality dogs, not just whatever dog came off the street with registration papers. The information on the different breeds was good, however there are a few things missing...i.e. there isn't a profile on German Shorthaired pointers, does not mention that Flat coated retrievers come in liver color, Basenjis and Norwegian Elkhounds are not listed as hounds, etc. But overall very good.

The book contains colorful breed pictures, as well as basic informative information about the breeds (i.e. country of origin, first use, origins, height, weight, and temperament). It also gives a tiny bit of history and additional remarks. Use the book as part of your research, maybe as the foundation.

Bought this book as a backup copy to one my father owned My autistic daughter has a current obsession with dogs and this Alderton book fills the bill. One of the best all around books to describe in short, pithy descriptions various dog breeds from around the world. Doesn't include every dog breed but comes darned near close. A great reference guide.

This volume is just one of 6 books that I own from this DK series of guides. Like most of them it is a beautifully illustrated book with 100% color, glossy pages and a sturdy, flexible binding. It provides a quick introduction to the amazing assortment of breeds and their specific types such as gundogs, companion dogs, working dogs, etc. My assessment is that it is a beautiful, durable and affordable introduction to the fascinating world of dogs.

This is a great field guide to the various dog breeds of the world. It does not represent all breeds, but has a large variety of both common and rarer breeds with an overview of breed characteristics, temperament, and basic information. Although it gives a good overve of each represented breed, it does not go into great detail so I wouldn't recommend this as a sole source of selecting a dog breed. Always thoroughly research a breed using multiple sources before deciding on a family pet! This is a great handbook of dog breeds and I highly recommend it to anyone interested in dogs.

This book is visually clear as well as informative regarding over 300 breeds. The organization makes it easy to find that odd breed seen on TV dog shows, even if you missed the breed name. The dogs are organized according to the major groups, and then in each section are grouped with like types. Each dog's description includes beautifully done photographs showing different views, samples of color variations, and a graphic that compares the dog in size to a human. The

description is concise and includes additional facts about the history and other interesting information. This book includes major breeds as well as breeds not common to the American Dog shows and as such is helpful when watching shows from other Countries.

This guide is perfect for quick facts about many different breeds, such as where they first originated and for what purpose, their average weights and heights, and so forth. In addition, it offers a brief history of the breed and a couple interesting facts, such as bulldogs often need C-sections done because their heads are so large. Of course, as always with DK books, beautiful, full-color photographs certainly aren't in short supply. Every breed entry includes at least one photograph. For those of us who are left disappointed by books that focus only on AKC-recognized breeds, this book is refreshing. It offers a glimpse at both German Shepherd dogs and little-known breeds such as the Leonberger. Not all entries are the same length, however; some are two pages, some one, and some are only part of a page. And, as one might expect, the better-known, recognized breeds are given more attention, but at least unrecognized breeds aren't entirely overlooked. It also includes several pages of text at the beginning looking at coat types, conformation, the dog family, etc., and an index. If you're looking for a book that delves into breed temperament and care, this book doesn't cut it. If you simply want a pretty compact handbook to carry around and recognize breeds by, and learn a little something extra in the process, this book is perfect.

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