



# American Foxhounds

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# The American Foxhound Dog

## About the American Foxhound Dog

The American Foxhound is a highly intelligent breed. They are very independent which can translate into stubbornness. Having patience and being persistent with this breed will bring much success when training to adapt to a family environment. It is important to make an informed pet selection and equally as important to make informed decisions throughout the life of your pet. We will take you through the process of bringing home your new family member and lead you all the way to cherishing your memories of the long life you share together. We will provide you with an outstanding number of tips and helpful advice including certified veterinary tips. This complimentary book is packed full of information to fulfill your dog parenting needs. Take a few moments to enjoy this information and you will spend many years enjoying a loving relationship with your American Foxhound.



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## General American Foxhound Characteristics

The American Foxhound is an original hunting dog. They are bred to be hunters. With lots of attention and socializing, while they are young pups, these dogs can be trained to be watchdogs, obedient and agile. They do very well with children, as they have a mild mannered and gentle temperament. This is a very athletic breed and hard working. They are also very friendly and will get along with other household pets, just be sure to keep a watchful eye out when it comes to other non-dog pets in the family. They can be protective, especially around strangers. This is a lighter and taller dog than their counterparts, the English Foxhound, and they are much quicker, as well. Their coats are short, which makes for minimal grooming. They have long legs and shoulders. Their muzzles are long and they have small cat-like paws. Their ears are set low and hang. The American Foxhound prefers to run in packs. When choosing to become a pet-parent to this breed, it is best to choose a show dog, rather than one bred to hunt. The Foxhound requires a lot of attention and exercise; they can become obese if not given enough activity daily. This breed would not do well in an apartment setting, due to the fact that they need lots of exercise, rather a home with a big yard would be more suitable for them. It can be difficult to housebreak an adult Foxhound, so consideration needs to be taken in that choice. This breed does not like to be left alone or confined for long periods. Some health issues they may face would be hip dysplasia, or deafness. A lot of attention, exercise, minimal grooming and veterinary attention will benefit you and your American Foxhound.

Average Weight	65-75 pounds	Temperament	Gentle, friendly, affectionate, and loyal
Average Height	21-25 inches	Good with Children?	Yes, protective and gentle with children
Coat	Short, shinny coat	Health Concerns	Hip dysplasia, deafness

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### EXPERT TIP

#### Selecting a Crate

A dog should be able to stand and turn around inside a closed crate. If you have a American Foxhound Dog puppy, consider the average height and weight of an adult Foxhound and choose a crate based on those specifications. .

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## Selecting Your American Foxhound Puppy – Adoption or a Breeder?

It's all about personal preference when deciding to either adopt an American Foxhound or to select one from a reputable breeder.

### A Few Words About Adoption:

When deciding to adopt, you should start your search within your own community. Adoption shelters and community rescue centers are a good place to start. You may also find such places as your local library, the newspaper or the internet, useful tools to aide in your adoption decision. Family and friends can be a great source of information, as well. When considering adoption of your pet, understand that not all pets in rescue centers or shelters were abused, some have simply been left behind by families that may have experienced life changing events and could no longer care for their pets. The positive attribute to adoption, it is significantly less expensive than buying from a breeder. Ultimately the decision will be yours.

### A Few Words About breeders:

Choosing to purchase an American Foxhound from a breeder is a beneficial decision, as well. You are not only getting a 100% pure breed, in most cases, but you're assured the dog will be healthy and well trained. When selecting a breeder, make sure they are reputable. Your breeder should be knowledgeable about the American Foxhound's genetics and nutrition. Their structure and movements are important, too. A reputable breeder will make certain their pups have all their immunizations and inoculations at the times needed and that they are done under the advisement of their veterinarian. Be sure that your breeder gives individual attention to the socialization and raising of their pups, and have them give assurance that their pups are brought up in clean and healthy environments. It is also important that interaction with people and other pets be part of the breeding process. There are an array of screening methods one can use when choosing a breeder. Choose wisely, and be informed before you buy.

Either option is viable based on your own knowledge, expectations, and personal conviction. The most important thing to remember when selecting your pet is to select the pet right for you. Pet ownership is a big responsibility. Select a pet that fits your lifestyle.

## How To Choose Your New American Foxhound Pup

Choosing a dog can be a difficult decision because there are many different personalities and aesthetic qualities you may want to look for. When choosing your American Foxhound pup, be sure you are choosing carefully and informed about your breed. Look out for signs of a healthy dog by following these tips below:



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- Nose not running and clear of mucus
- Check for gum discoloration, gums should be a healthy pink
- Healthy coat and skin conditions
- Check for clear breathing in chest
- Do a thorough check of the head, throat, mouth and structure

## Before You Bring Your American Foxhound Home

When you're ready to bring home American Foxhound home, you need first to puppy-proof your home. Ensuring that your puppy is kept out of harms way will make for a happy healthy puppy. Approach puppy-proofing much like baby-proofing. You will want to remove clutter from floors, wires and cords should be out of sight and not in places where puppies can get to them. Closing doors to rooms that are off-limits should be helpful to keep the puppy out of personal things. You will probably want to secure cabinets that are at puppy level to ensure they can not pry them open getting into chemicals and cleaners. Keep plants out of reach as well; plants can be very dangerous for dogs, especially if they are poisonous.

You will need to make a trip to the pet store to pick up necessities your puppy may need. Things such as play toys, grooming materials, crates and kennels, are all things you'll use throughout the life of your dog. Puppy food, training products, and toys are also essential.

Exercise daily is key to keeping your pup healthy. Your American Foxhound loves exercise, so ensuring you have enough space for them to roam will keep them healthy and happy. Introducing your puppy to the vet and their grooming process is best done early on. Following the breeder's and veterinarian's advice on nutrition will ensure your pup maintains a healthy diet. Adhere to your dogs allergies, as they require special dietary ingredients. As long as you pay attention to your breed's needs and stay knowledgeable about your breed, you will ensure success at a positive adjustment for your puppy to their new surroundings.

## Your American Foxhound Through the Years

### Your American Foxhound Puppy

Each stage of your pet's life will be characterized by special needs. Puppies are just like babies, they need lots of attention and they are just starting out in life and wanting to learn. Vaccination is important in this stage of their lives; it will maintain their immunity to diseases. Puppies are continuously growing; trimming your puppies' nails about every two to three weeks will keep nails groomed and the risk of scratching at a low. American Foxhounds love to run and play, so taking your puppy on daily walking sessions is beneficial to them and their health. You want to ensure that you do not over-feed your puppy, and keeping your Foxhound on a healthy diet will ensure longevity for your pet.

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## Your American Foxhound Adult

As your dog begins to age, his needs begin to change. Adult dogs are coming into their own and they begin to understand their owner more and understand what it is their owners want from them. Foxhounds are more outdoors type than indoors. As your dog begins to grow, ensuring that they have enough room to roam and run will keep a happy Foxhound. They must also have constant companionship, so having another dog around would help a great deal.

## Your American Foxhound Senior

When your pet climbs the hill into his senior years his needs will change again. Dietary changes are the most prevalent at this life stage. As your dog ages, so does his digestive system. Make sure your Senior Foxhound maintains a proper diet and receives proper nutrients. Keep abreast of the latest trends in dental products. As older pets their metabolism begins to slow down, so keeping an eye out for signs of becoming obesity, are important. Regular exercise in older dogs is important. Daily walks and play will keep up their activity level.

American Foxhounds are prone to hearing loss; you will want to be aware of these types of problems as your pet ages. Being in contact with your vet at these times are beneficial. When caring for your older pet, be watchful for changes in appetite, their bowel movements and illnesses such as coughing, sneezing and diarrhea. You will want to contact your veterinarian in these cases. Having regular geriatric check-ups and daily exercise will make for a happy and healthy older Foxhound.

Make Foxhound memories with your American Foxhound. Cherish the special moments with your pet and keep them close to your heart. Display pictures of your dog around your home or office. Develop family traditions that include your pet. Foxhound reminders for your family can include celebrating your dog's birthday, exchanging sentiments on special holidays, and even sharing memorable Foxhound stories with extended family.

## American Foxhound Medical Considerations

Foxhounds suffer from few medical conditions. Some conditions to keep an eye out for are such things as hip dysplasia, a condition where there is a malformation of the elbow joints. They also suffer from hearing loss, so keep a close watch on that. With any pet, and as they age they can develop illnesses. Regular check-ups with the veterinarian will keep your pet healthy and happy.

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