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Pet Reads

Dogs

This is a fascinating collection of amateur and anonymous snapshots of dogs from the turn of the century to the early 1950s in all kinds of ordinary and extraordinary settings. Photographs have always been something that captures a second or moment in time. Looking through this collection, we have an insight into the times and lives of individuals and families. There are portraits of young soldiers with the family dog, depression era couples with indeterminable mutts and aristocratic ladies and their purebred and pampered pooches.

The collection was gathered by Catherine Johnson who has been collecting amateur vintage photographs of dogs for years. What resonates in this collection of photos is the understanding that dogs have long held an important role within our homes and family. As there is no information on the origin or background of these people and dogs, it is up to the viewer to interpret the time and the conditions these subjects lived in. With its small format, unpretentious subject and day-gone-by aesthetic this collection shows that the relationship with 'mans best friend' is timeless.

As Johnson says, "I was inspired to collect photographs of dogs seriously many years later while working for the legendary British photographer Norman Parkinson. He had come back from a difficult portrait commission of a family who neither liked to be photographed nor liked each other. He said, "if you're shooting a difficult family portrait, pray the family has a dog and feature the animal front and centre!" After looking at his contact sheets, I saw he was absolutely right: the dog infused the portrait with energy and humour".

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Street Dogs

Traer Scott

You may remember in issue 9 we did a feature on photographer and dog lover, Traer Scott's haunting images from a book called Shelter Dogs. The images captured dogs that had made their way into various shelters. Many with unknown backgrounds and some with little future. Their stories and Scott's compassionate portrayal resonated with many of our readers. In this follow-up, Scott journeyed to Puerto Rico and Mexico to capture the soulful and remarkable dogs that are living alone and doing it tough on city streets. These abandoned and lonely misfits often roam together in their loose packs, finding food and shelter where they can.

Inspired by an article about satos (Puerto Rican slang for 'mutt') over four years ago in the original magazine Bark, Scott got the opportunity to travel and see first hand the volunteer efforts of rescuers of these street souls. Scott's work captures close up images of these endearing mutts as well as images of the streets they live on. This is not a depressing book as it reminds us that through the actions of compassionate and caring people, even these desperate dogs are not forgotten. Through her images and writing, Scott is able to bring their face and plight to a larger audience. Through the tireless work of rescue volunteers, many of these mutts make it to US shelters and are offered a lease on life. Tados somos satos - we are all mutts.

Street Dogs published by Merrell, distributed by Bookwise International RRP \$39.95



The Encyclopedia of Australian Wildlife

Reader's Digest

Originally printed in 1997, this updated and expanded version is the ultimate reference guide to vast and wonderful array of Australian creatures great and small. From our wealth of mammals to our rich array of birds; from fascinating fish to unusual invertebrates, this large book is a great reference and guide. Each page has large photographs and diagrams that illustrate special features and intriguing aspects of Australia's animal life.

The Encyclopedia of Australian Wildlife published by Reader's Digest, distributed by Bookwise International RRP \$79.95



Salty Dogs

By Jean M. Fogle

Freelance writer and photographer Jean M. Fogle was drawn to sun...sand...surf and dogs and so brilliantly captures the spirit of dogs large and small enjoying a sandy frolic. This sweet book has photos of foam swallowing, ball chasing, wave jumping dogs and there's even some surfer dude dogs captured as well. Peppered throughout the book are quirky quotes that remind us not to take life too seriously when you have the combination of dogs and a beach. Viva la summer!

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The Original Dog Bible

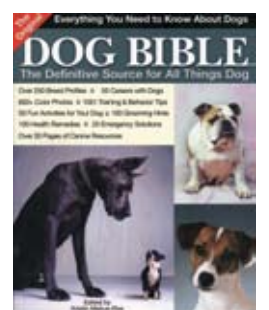
The Definitive Source for All Things Dog

Edited by Kristin Mehus-Roe

The secret or not so secret life of dogs is all here in this large (750+) page guide to our best friend. With training and behaviour tips, sections dedicated to health care and grooming plus very detailed information on specific breeds, this is a must have book for the dedicated dog lover. If this was mandatory reading for a potential dog owner, we would find fewer mismatched owners with breeds and maybe more people understanding the lifelong responsibility of dog ownership.

With a wealth of information and photos, this guide is a fabulous resource that is a well researched and illuminating read on all things dog.

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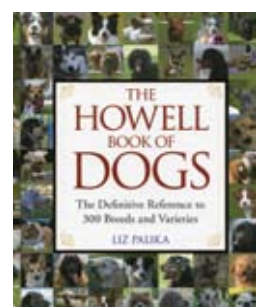
The Howell Book of Dogs

By Liz Palika

Not quite as large as the Dog Bible, this reference to 300 breeds and varieties of dog should also be considered an informative guide. Breeds are profiled with a little history on the origin; a brief description on the breed's physical confirmation; information on grooming requirements, exercise needs and activity level; suggested training and socialisation requirements and any potential jobs or sports the dog might excel at.

Along with full colour photos there is also a boxed brief of the breed so you can see what work you might be up for with an Irish Setter as opposed to a Basset Hound.

Published by Howell, distributed by Wiley RRP \$40.95



Bad Dogs Have More Fun

By John Grogan

From bestselling author of 'Marley and Me' comes this collection of 75 news-paper articles written by Grogan and originally published in the Philadelphia Inquirer. A lot of the articles are observations on family life, the realities of becoming a best selling author and the ironies he faces. What's interesting about some of the writing is that Grogan exposes the flaws of their local and wealthy SPCA and the bully tactics of animal extremists that he describes as vandals under the acronym of ALF-Animal Liberation Front.

Reading through book I wish we had our own John Grogan writing a column in the Sydney Morning Herald. A humorous writer with plenty of talent, Grogan is. But what makes him special is not just his witty observations, but a more compassionate edge like his ability to question Elephants in small enclosures in his local zoo or exposing the appalling health conditions and ethics of puppy farms. His writings make us laugh, cry and think.

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