# *Winstead Australian Shepherd’s*

# Companion Questionnaire

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1. How did you hear about Winstead Australian Shepherds?
2. Why are you interested in Australian Shepherds?
3. Have you talked to people about Aussies? If so, who?
4. What books have you read about Aussies / dogs?

1. Have you had a dog before? If yes what breed or breeds.
2. Do you have other dogs now? Other pets? Please supply a history of current & past dogs, how old they lived to be etc.
3. Have you ever had to place or euthanize a pet because of behavior issues? If yes, please supply details.
4. What aspects of your lifestyle do you feel would be of extreme importance for your dog to fit in well with? For example do you have grandchildren who visit on occasion, would your dog go to work with you and need to have excellent social skills etc.
5. Pet puppies from Winstead Australian Shepherds are sold on a spay/neuter contract. Does this present a problem for you?
6. Do you have young children still living at home or are you planning on having children?
7. Please tell me about your children still at home, how many? What are their ages?
8. What type of relationship do you picture your children and the dog having?
9. What type of schedule do you have?
10. What is your occupation?
11. Do you travel? If yes, what will you do with the dog?
12. How long will the dog be left alone during the day and where will it stay?
13. Where will the dog live (house, yard, garage, etc)?
14. How will the dog be contained when outside? If you have a fence does it completely enclose the yard? What type and height is your fence?
15. Do you own or rent your home? Tell me about yard space available for the dog. If limited how will you offer exercise for your pet?
16. What type of activities will you be doing with this dog (walking, hiking, jogging, obedience, flyball, agility, etc.)?
17. Do you plan to attend puppy classes/obedience classes with this dog?
18. How would you housebreak a dog or puppy?
19. Who is your vet?
20. Are you financially capable of handling a medical emergency with a dog (emergencies commonly cost $500-1000)?
21. What would you do if you had a behavioral problem with this dog?
22. Do you have a preference for a male or a female? Do you have a color preference? If you do, why? Would you consider a dog of a different sex/color?
23. Male Aussies typically mature to be between 20”-23” tall at the shoulders and weigh from 45-65lbs. Females are between 18”-21” and weigh between 34-48lbs. Is size of the dog a concern?
24. What age of dog are you looking for?
25. What energy level would you like in your dog?
26. Do you want a dog that is protective? If yes, why?
27. Aussies shed. They “blow” their coat twice a year and will shed in between as well. Does dog hair in your house, on your furniture and clothes bother you?
28. Will a barking dog bother you or your neighbors?
29. Please list some qualities/personality traits/behaviors that you would like to have in your dog. I.e. Describe your ideal dog.
30. Can you supply 2 pet related references?

Please fill out and forward this questionnaire back to me. Write me via phone after returning the form to discuss puppy options.

Thank you,

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