

Orangewood Rhodesian Ridgebacks

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Thank you for your inquiry. This questionnaire is designed to aid me in helping you with your new Rhodesian Ridgeback selection. **Not all questions will be applicable to your situation** or intent and there are no right or wrong answers. It is my intention to match your new Rhodesian Ridgeback with your family's needs and to help you in areas where you may need information and guidance. Complete as fully as possible and return to me via email. **Please** put your answers in **bold** print. **Please take as much time and space to answer all questions.**

GENERAL INFORMATION

DATE: NAME:
ADDRESS: CITY: STATE/ZIP
TELE: HOME WORK CELL
EMAIL:

ABOUT YOU AND YOUR HOME

1. Is there a significant other? Name Do you both work? What hours?
Other adults living in home: Do you, or other family members, have dog/cat/animal allergies?
2. Children at home? Names & ages of children:
Are they educated about the proper treatment of animals?
3. Do you understand that while this breed is good with children, they are not DRAWN to children, and should never be purchased as the responsibility of children?
4. Who will have primary responsibility for the puppy's care?
5. Is someone home during the day?
6. Do you own or rent? If you rent, does your lease allow large dogs?
7. How much property do you have around your house?
Patio Small Yard Large Yard Acreage
8. Is the yard fenced? What type of fence? Fence height?
Are all of the gates secure/locked?
9. Have you considered the cost of improvements necessary to have a secure/safe yard for the puppy?

10. What other pets share your home?
11. Did you have any complaints associated with your past pets, (examples: poor obedience, training challenges, property damage)?

ABOUT RHODESIAN RIDGEBACKS

12. Have you ever owned a Rhodesian Ridgeback?
13. If you haven't owned one, do you have any experience with the breed?
14. What is your understanding of the breed?
15. What kind of temperament and/or physical characteristics are you looking for in your puppy?
16. Desired Pup Gender:
Male Female Would you consider the opposite sex?
17. Where will your puppy sleep? (please be specific)
18. Where will your Ridgeback sleep when it is grown?
19. Will the puppy/dog be primarily inside or outside?
20. Where will your RR be when you are not at home? Please be specific:
21. Are you familiar with crate training? If so, are you planning to crate train your new puppy?
22. Are you interested in any of the following? (Check as many as apply) Show: Breeding: Obedience:
Lure Coursing: Agility: Therapy dog: Watch/protection: Search/Rescue:
23. Are you aware of the negative qualities (stubborn; sometimes difficult to train) of the breed, and do you have the understanding that this breed may not be the best choice for everyone?
24. **Early and extensive socialization** is key in the development of a well balanced RR. A good rule of thumb is " Minimum of 3 new people, 3 new places every week". Are you and your family willing to commit to the time and effort to the early socialization of a puppy?
25. **RR Training** Have you considered the time & commitment it takes to properly raise a RR puppy (attention, socialization, and necessary training classes)? Do you plan to take your pup to puppy training classes? Follow up classes at 1 yr of age? Obtain a AKC "Canine Good Citizen" (CGC) title?

26. Do you understand that the Rhodesian Ridgeback is a large, athletic, active dog requiring plenty of exercise?
Please explain your exercise plan for the RR:

27. Have you considered the commitment you are about to make by purchasing this puppy, and the changes that will occur in your current lifestyle?

28. Last but not least, why are you interested in owning a Rhodesian Ridgeback?

References

Name

Telephone

Veterinarian:

Groomer/dog sitter:

Other:

Any comments you would like to add ...

***Staying in touch: Because we are busy with our own dogs and puppies, we ask that you continue to stay in touch with us by telephone or email.**