



Purchasing a Pet

Helpful tips when thinking of getting a new pet

Please feel free to come and talk before you get a new pet. We are happy to help with any questions you may have & decisions you make.

It is a big commitment you are taking on. So don't make the decision quickly.

Think about your situation:

- Are you working?
- Family activities/priorities?
- Space – how much do you have?
- Finances, pets can be costly?
- Breed- pure breed have certain breed specific issues & potential problems.
- Cost of insurance.

Where do you get a pet?

Rescue: Need to have time to spend training and nurturing these animals

Breeders: Please check breeders are registered and reputable via the kennel club or cat fanciers club.

Internet: Make sure you see their current home environment. If young, try to see 'Mum' and if possible 'Dad' especially with the youngster. Don't agree to shortening your journey by meeting breeder on the motorway.

Friends: make sure you know their pets and what their pets are like to live with

Abroad: make sure you use a reputable charity & that your pet is rabies vaccinated and identified. Ideally foster before making a final decision.

'Gut feeling': If the situation does not feel right, do not accept the animal. Look further into it.