

Nova Scotia Duck Tolling Retriever

"Yes he is cute and quite calm now sitting beside me at this event. But boy you should see him at home, in the field or playing with the kids! I love this breed, but I know that it is not the dog for everyone.

Some of the reasons "I chose Tollers" after many months of research and fell in love with this breed is because it is not a couch potato. I was looking for a dog with high intelligence; one that would be a companion, but would also think for itself. I was looking for a dog that could keep up with all my activities and still have lots of get up and go at the end of the day. I was looking for a dog that would challenge me and my training abilities. What I got was just that!

This may not be what others or you are looking for. You should consider the whole Breed ... not just one dog you see in a situation where they may not be themselves - have been trained to be calm and responsive. Young Tollers do have high energy, which has to be channeled in constructive ways OR you will not achieve the calm dog you see sitting here with me! You'll see this breed can be mischievous, wild, or even "take over the household" ... not a loving companion.

This breed has more simple zest and joy for life than most. It wholly involves itself in everything it does whether stealing from the counter, breaking ice to get the bird, or curling up on the couch. Everything is done 100%!

'You can be a Toller Owner OR you can be Owned by a Toller.

This breed is NOT just a dog ... they are a Life--style!"

People who are looking for a small version of a Golden or Lab in ob/field or hunting work will find a major difference in the personalities of this breed. Tollers have a "spark." They are ardent observers of life and as young dogs are easily distracted. While they learn quickly, they also bore quickly. Training sessions must be kept short and light, fun and challenging.

Puppy selection from a litter is usually still up to the breeder. Some will allow potential owners to come and select an individual puppy. Other breeders listen and learn from the owner what they want and expect from their Toller puppy; study their pups and during the eight weeks of early life select the individual puppy for each home.

The Nova Scotia Duck Tolling Retriever has broken free of the constraints of the hunting technique for which it's named. Today the Toller is multifaceted. You get the ideal dog ... a retriever, a hunter, a loyal watchdog, a competition dog and a wonderful loving pet all rolled into one!



For a list of Breeders ...
send a self-addressed, stamped envelope to:

Cindy Richardson - Breeder Referral
2570 Noah St., Eugene, OR 97402

or go to the
National Breed Club Website
~ www.nsdtrc-usa.org ~
Breeder Referral

The Nova Scotia Duck Tolling Retriever Breed Standard Video
is now available ... see the Merchandising webpage section
for details on ordering

The Toller Book ~ Alpine Publications 800/777-7257