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## dog breed guide...

### **Boxer**

People are often wary of the Boxer dog but this shouldn't be the case. It is a lovely natured dog, who despite its aggressive looks can be a perfect family dog. Across Europe they are used by the police and armed forces as part of their 'equipment'. Criminals being chased by this dog will more often than not stop in their tracks as this powerful dog catches them up. They aren't however known as a biter. The dogs' power, strength and physique are enough to control a person, which makes this breed quite a successful worker in certain environments.

#### **Temperament**

As a puppy the Boxer can be extremely boisterous and excitable which sometimes makes people nervous. Firm training is advisable as he will respond well to commands so the boisterous side can still be present but in a controlled manner. As a guard dog this breed fulfils this role brilliantly and as a result is a deterrent to any potential criminals. As a family member the Boxer will settle in brilliantly as well, especially when he is given plenty of exercise to burn all the energy he has. Its athleticism is outstanding as it uses its powerful legs to keep on running and play. The Boxer will certainly make an excellent family pet to those who will train and socialise the dog with other breeds. Three words to sum up this dog would have to be; loving, intelligent and powerful.

#### **Size and Coat**

Little grooming is needed and you can brush weekly which will remove any dead hairs. It is classed as a medium sized dog with a glossy, short coat. You will see the coat in different colours, ranging from fawn to deer red and brindle stripes. Dogs tend to measure 57 – 63 cm (22.5-25") and bitches are smaller.

#### **Life Expectancy**

10-14 years