Top Hat ‘N Tails Greater Swiss Mountain Dogs

Puppy Application

Before completing this application please consider the following:

* Pet puppies are sold for $3,000.
* A $1,200 non-refundable deposit is required once you have been selected as a home and the puppies are born and thriving.
* Puppies are not placed on a “first come, first served” basis. Instead they will be place based on our conversations with you about your home and lifestyle, our observations of the puppies and on the results of the Volhard Temperament Test, to be performed at 49-days.
* Puppies begin to go to their new homes between eight and nine weeks of age.
* They will be to the vet for their well check up, have received their first vaccination in the series of three, and be wormed and micro chipped.

Please send completed forms back to SharonGardner@mac.com

Name:

Address:

Phone number:

Mobile number:

Email address:

* Are you interested in a male, female or have no preference?
* How important are the markings to you?
* Have you ever met an adult Swissy?
* Why do you want to own a Swissy?
* Do you live in a detached single family house, townhouse/condo or apartment?
* Do you own or rent?
* What is the size of your yard/outdoor space?
* Is it fenced? If so what type of fencing is it? (i.e. invisible fence, 4’ chain-link, 6’ wood privacy fence, etc.)?
* How do you plan on exercising your puppy?
* How many people are in your household, what are their names, ages and relationship to you?
* Who will be the primary caregiver of your puppy?
* What is your occupation and that of your partner?
* Do you plan on adding to your family in the next 18 months (children or other animals)?
* How many hours a day will your puppy be home alone?
* Are you familiar with crate training your puppy? If so, do you plan on crate training?
* Where will your puppy spend most of its time during the day? Night?
* Have you ever owned a dog in the past? If so, what breed(s), and why are they no longer with you?
* What other pets currently live in your household?
* Please include your veterinarian’s name, address and phone number that you plan on using.
* Have your researched all the diseases and/or problems that could happen with your Swissy (epilepsy, bloat, splenic torsion, OCD) and realize that if these problems occur they can lead to very expensive, unavoidable vet bills?
* Have you considered health insurance for your pet? Do you need carrier suggestions?
* Would you consider feeding your Swissy a raw diet?
* Do you agree to attend a minimum of Puppy Kindergarten and 2 basic obedience classes?
* What are you interested in doing with your Swissy (family pet, conformation, weight pull, carting, back packing, hiking, agility, obedience, rally, therapy dog etc.)?
* Do you plan to spay/neuter your Swissy after the appropriate amount of time? If not, why?
* Are you aware that Swissies are not very easy to housetrain and are often not reliable until 9 months of age or older?
* Would you be willing to join the Greater Swiss Mountain Dog National Club? And/or a local club in your area?

Thank you for your interest and taking the time to complete this application!

* The Gardner Family