

# Recommendations for your pup from the Clementis'

## Food:

### Golden Retriever recommended food:

**Purina Pro Plan** is what I use consistently in feeding my litters or puppies. My adult dogs eat this brand of dog food as well. After researching food plans, it was recommended to me by many veterinarians, breeders and trainers. I like the availability to purchase in many different store fronts and online. More importantly, it has live probiotics which are good for digestion and the immune system, it also has DHA for brain and vision development and antioxidants for a newly developing immune system.

#### Puppy:

<https://www.chewy.com/purina-pro-plan-puppy-shredded-blend/dp/52467>

#### Adult:

<https://www.chewy.com/purina-pro-plan-high-protein-shredded/dp/52445>

#### Salmon: (better for skin sensitivity in adults)

<https://www.chewy.com/purina-pro-plan-adult-shredded-blend/dp/114025>

### Poodle recommend food:

#### **Purina Pro small breed puppy food for the mini poodles**

<https://www.chewy.com/purina-pro-plan-puppy-small-breed/dp/52427>

Other food choice:

\*\*My puppy food sent home with your new puppy will have Cocci Guard sprinkled on the food to guard them against picking up coccidia during the stressful transition to your home and their new environment. You do not need to continue this once the starter bag of food runs out.

\*\*If you choose a different brand, do your own research and find what works for you and your pup! When switching, use the transitioning method by mixing past food with new over a period of 10 or so days.  $\frac{3}{4}$  old to  $\frac{1}{4}$  new, then  $\frac{1}{2}$  old to  $\frac{1}{2}$  new,  $\frac{1}{4}$  old to  $\frac{3}{4}$  new and finally you can fully feed new food. This must be done so they don't have upset stomachs and messy poo!

#### **How much to feed them??**

They will be on a breakfast, lunch and supper type schedule when leaving our home.

DAILY ROUTINE: Split total amount of food between 3 feeding to begin and at 6 months you can do 2 times a day and eventually you can go down to once a day.

Goldens will be close to 12-15lbs give or take a few pounds when they go home and likely 8 weeks old and maturing at 60-80lbs. They will eat  $\frac{1}{2}$  - 1 cup a day at first.

Mini Poodles leave here about 5-6 lbs but mature weight of 14-17lbs. They will eat  $\frac{1}{2}$  to  $\frac{3}{8}$  cup a day at first.

Moyan Poodles will leave here about 7-8lbs and mature weight of 25-35lbs. They will eat  $\frac{1}{2}$  to  $\frac{2}{3}$  cup a day at first.

Micro Bernadoodles will leave here about 7-8lbs and mature about 17-20lbs. They will eat  $\frac{1}{2}$  to  $\frac{2}{3}$  cup a day at first.

You should find directions on the back of the dog food bag for measuring food appropriate to weight and age. It may vary slightly due to pups' activity level.

Always make sure they can have fresh water, but keep in mind you will need to take them out after they drink to use potty. In the later evening it's a good idea to take the water bowl away and only offer a small amount, so they can hold their bladder through the night!

\*\*I will send home a gallon of our water for a transitioning method to get them used to your water. New water at a young age has sometimes given them upset stomachs.

## **POTTY**

They begin potty training starting at 4 weeks old in our home inside the kennel using pine pellets in a litter box. I will give you some pine pellets to place outdoors where you desire to train them to go potty.. If you catch them relieving themselves indoors, clap your hands to catch their attention and bring them outside.

Litter box :

[https://www.amazon.com/Doskocil-Petmate-Litter-Mouse-Jumbo/dp/B00JOZ48KK/ref=mp\\_s\\_a\\_1\\_3?crid=N0P0WVRAOF7Z&keywords=large+litter+box&qid=1675209498&srefix=large+litter+%2Caps%2C111&sr=8-3](https://www.amazon.com/Doskocil-Petmate-Litter-Mouse-Jumbo/dp/B00JOZ48KK/ref=mp_s_a_1_3?crid=N0P0WVRAOF7Z&keywords=large+litter+box&qid=1675209498&srefix=large+litter+%2Caps%2C111&sr=8-3)

Pine pellet :

<https://www.chewy.com/feline-pine-original-non-clumping/dp/32586>

## **Vaccination:**

Initial vet visit included with our vet visit includes puppy well check, fecal sample, first vaccine (DA2P), and microchip.

Vaccination needs to be administered in boosters and roughly will take 3 visits to have completed the DA2P due to the age of the puppies.

1st dose 6-8 weeks of age.

2nd dose 3-4 weeks later.

3rd dose 3-4 weeks later.

Thereafter visits for most cases are yearly vaccinations. (depending on law requirements)

Rabies is given on the second visit and third.

Bordetella (given if you are boarding in kennels, dog parks, puppy classes or any place where your puppy is around other dogs in order to prevent them from picking up kennel cough) can be given upon your choosing once the puppy reaches 12 weeks of age.

## **Flea and Ticks- yuck!**

**Ask your vet and then you can sign up for online ordering but need a prescription prior to online purchasing.**

**Simparica** (oral medication-must be over 4 months in age)

<https://www.chewy.com/simparica-chewable-tablets-dogs-221/dp/173126>

**NexGard** (can be given orally at 8 weeks old)

<https://www.chewy.com/nexgard-chewables-dogs-101-24-lbs/dp/173248>

**Bravecto** (given orally every 12 weeks)

<https://www.chewy.com/bravecto-soft-chews-dogs-99-22-lbs/dp/172904>

It is dosed by weight. You'll need to be certain on your puppies current and accurate weight. These are both given orally once a month or every three months for Bravecto. If you don't use this, please find a different solution as lymes disease is very common in dogs without protection.

\*\*\*\*\*You should ask your vet about a lymes test and vaccine. Our dogs have been tested and received the vaccine. If it comes back negative when they first get tested (so do early) the company that manufactured the shot will cover any lyme treatment in the vet office, should they get lymes AFTER they are given the shot.

### **Heart guard**

<https://www.chewy.com/heartgard-plus-chewables-dogs-26-50/dp/173232>

Protects your dog from heartworm and hookworm parasites. Ask your vet for more information on this. It's given orally.

### **Other worms- yuck!**

Your puppy has been dewormed and stool will be checked for worms before they leave and go to your home.

Ask your vet about worms, they should recommend you deworm them every 3-6 months and when they are older twice a year.

We do our best to ensure they are parasite free when they leave our home. It is unfortunately very common to have parasites in puppies (it's estimated 95% of pups have them)

There is the chance that dormant parasites can be "awoken" due to the stress of leaving and entering a new environment. They can also be easily picked up in any indoor and outdoor environment as they are in the grass and ground outside.

If a possible case arises, we will send them home with medicine.

It's worth a recheck on their fecal when you bring them in for their first visit to be sure they haven't become infected.

Don't worry, it's an easy treatment and much more effective when they aren't among their litter mates!

### **How Do Dogs and Puppies Get Coccidia?**

Dogs can get coccidia by ingesting the oocyst (immature coccidia) from a contaminated environment, such as soil or feces that contains coccidia.

Young puppies are more likely to become infected with coccidia when they are exposed to contaminated dog feces due to their underdeveloped immune system. This is why it is so important for puppies to have multiple fecal exams throughout their puppy visits with their veterinarian.

Stressful situations (traveling or moving to a new home environment), immunosuppression, or additional chronic diseases can make dogs more susceptible to coccidia infection.

## Can Humans Get Coccidia?

Coccidia is not a zoonotic disease, which means that humans cannot contract coccidia from a dog.

Ammonia is the best cleaning product to use as it eliminates the parasite.

Puppies often try to eat their poop. Quickly clean up so they can't get at it!

## Kenneling

It is best to crate train for sleep and when you leave the house.

It helps with potty training and gives them a quiet place to feel secure. I recommend using a crate big enough to fit your puppy when he/she is full grown but is adjustable to keep them in half of the crate when they are small. They don't like to urinate and poop where they sleep, if it's a large area they may use half for potty and help for sleep and that will discourage outside potty training!

Also a playpen is what we set up for playtime for the puppies. It's a safe place for play and a nap to set up in a certain room of your choosing. It can keep the puppy safe from chewing on electrical cords and such, also to help prevent them from having accidents while your attention is turned to something else.

We set it up with a litter box and pine pellets and you can put the crate inside or attached.

### Golden Retriever type:

[Amazon.com: Regalo 192-Inch Super Wide Adjustable Baby Gate and Play Yard, 4-In-1, Bonus Kit, 4 Count \(Pack of 1 : Baby](https://www.amazon.com/Regalo-192-Inch-Super-Wide-Adjustable-Baby-Gate-and-Play-Yard-4-In-1-Bonus-Kit-4-Count-Pack-of-1-Baby/dp/B08ML6TD2N/ref=ppx_yo_dt_b_search_asin_title?ie=UTF8&th=1)

[https://www.amazon.com/gp/product/B08ML6TD2N/ref=ppx\\_yo\\_dt\\_b\\_search\\_asin\\_title?ie=UTF8&th=1](https://www.amazon.com/gp/product/B08ML6TD2N/ref=ppx_yo_dt_b_search_asin_title?ie=UTF8&th=1)

**Poodle type:** (taller as they jump high and can get out of shorter one)

[https://www.amazon.com/gp/product/B0B9SPTBQ2/ref=ppx\\_yo\\_dt\\_b\\_search\\_asin\\_title?ie=UTF8&th=1](https://www.amazon.com/gp/product/B0B9SPTBQ2/ref=ppx_yo_dt_b_search_asin_title?ie=UTF8&th=1)

### Golden Retriever

42 inch for a full grown golden retriever is a good fit when full grown. Buy with the divider.

[https://www.amazon.com/dp/B000QFT1RC/ref=twister\\_B07DKNPMQM?\\_encoding=UTF8&psc=1](https://www.amazon.com/dp/B000QFT1RC/ref=twister_B07DKNPMQM?_encoding=UTF8&psc=1)

Lifestyle decor crate:

[https://www.amazon.com/ecoFlex-Pet-Crate-End-Table/dp/B00NB86BLK/ref=sr\\_1\\_9?crd=26A9PGRSOSAJ3&keywords=dog%2Bcrates%2Bliving%2Broom%2Btable&qid=1707102796&s=pet-supplies&srefix=dog%2Bcrates%2Bliving%2Broom%2Btabl%2Cpets%2C293&sr=1-9&ufe=app\\_do%3Aamzn1.fos.18ed3cb5-28d5-4975-8bc7-93deae8f9840&th=1](https://www.amazon.com/ecoFlex-Pet-Crate-End-Table/dp/B00NB86BLK/ref=sr_1_9?crd=26A9PGRSOSAJ3&keywords=dog%2Bcrates%2Bliving%2Broom%2Btable&qid=1707102796&s=pet-supplies&srefix=dog%2Bcrates%2Bliving%2Broom%2Btabl%2Cpets%2C293&sr=1-9&ufe=app_do%3Aamzn1.fos.18ed3cb5-28d5-4975-8bc7-93deae8f9840&th=1)

### Mini Poodle

24 inch crate for poodle

[Amazon.com : MidWest Homes for Pets Newly Enhanced Single & Double Door New World Dog Crate, Includes Leak-Proof Pan, Floor Protecting Feet, & New Patented Features : Pet Supplies](https://www.amazon.com/MidWest-Homes-for-Pets-Newly-Enhanced-Single-&Double-Door-New-World-Dog-Crate-Includes-Leak-Proof-Pan-Floor-Protecting-Feet-&New-Patented-Features-Pet-Supplies/dp/B000QFT1RC/ref=twister_B07DKNPMQM?_encoding=UTF8&psc=1)

Lifestyle decor crate:

[https://www.amazon.com/ecoFlex-Pet-Crate-End-Table/dp/B06ZYSB9FL/ref=sr\\_1\\_9?crd=26A9PGRSOSAJ3&keywords=dog%2Bcrates%2Bliving%2Broom%2Btable&qid=1707102796&s=pet-supplies&srefix=dog%2Bcrates%2Bliving%2Broom%2Btabl%2Cpets%2C293&sr=1-9&ufe=app\\_do%3Aamzn1.fos.18ed3cb5-28d5-4975-8bc7-93deae8f9840&th=1](https://www.amazon.com/ecoFlex-Pet-Crate-End-Table/dp/B06ZYSB9FL/ref=sr_1_9?crd=26A9PGRSOSAJ3&keywords=dog%2Bcrates%2Bliving%2Broom%2Btable&qid=1707102796&s=pet-supplies&srefix=dog%2Bcrates%2Bliving%2Broom%2Btabl%2Cpets%2C293&sr=1-9&ufe=app_do%3Aamzn1.fos.18ed3cb5-28d5-4975-8bc7-93deae8f9840&th=1)

## **Moyan Poodle and Micro Bernedoodle**

30 inch crate

[https://www.amazon.com/New-World-Folding-Leak-Proof-Measures/dp/B01DLS2EYW/ref=mp\\_s\\_a\\_1\\_2\\_sspa?crd=1R4867ULTQWWW&keywords=24%2Binch%2Bdog%2Bcrate&qid=1675209542&srefix=24%2Binch%2B%2Caps%2C115&sr=8-2-spons&spLa=ZW5jcnlwdGVkUXVhbGlmaWVyPUEzUUhBTIVCUVQyMUVBjMvUyY3J5cHRIZEIkPUeWnJAzNjg3MUU5TDZOMzFOVjIGTyZlbnNyeXB0ZWRBZEIkPUeWODU4NzU1Mk5BODY0MVVUN0tPMiZ3aWRnZXROYW1IPXNwX3Bob25lX3NIYXJjaF9hdGYmYWNOaW9uPWNsaWNrUmVkaXJlY3QmZG9Ob3RMb2dDbGljaz10cnVI&th=1](https://www.amazon.com/New-World-Folding-Leak-Proof-Measures/dp/B01DLS2EYW/ref=mp_s_a_1_2_sspa?crd=1R4867ULTQWWW&keywords=24%2Binch%2Bdog%2Bcrate&qid=1675209542&srefix=24%2Binch%2B%2Caps%2C115&sr=8-2-spons&spLa=ZW5jcnlwdGVkUXVhbGlmaWVyPUEzUUhBTIVCUVQyMUVBjMvUyY3J5cHRIZEIkPUeWnJAzNjg3MUU5TDZOMzFOVjIGTyZlbnNyeXB0ZWRBZEIkPUeWODU4NzU1Mk5BODY0MVVUN0tPMiZ3aWRnZXROYW1IPXNwX3Bob25lX3NIYXJjaF9hdGYmYWNOaW9uPWNsaWNrUmVkaXJlY3QmZG9Ob3RMb2dDbGljaz10cnVI&th=1)

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[https://www.amazon.com/ecoFlex-Pet-Crate-End-Table/dp/B06ZY5B9FL/ref=sr\\_1\\_9?crd=26A9PGRSOSAJ3&keywords=dog%2Bcrates%2Bliving%2Broom%2Btable&qid=1707102796&s=pets-supplies&srefix=dog%2Bcrates%2Bliving%2Broom%2Btable%2Cpets%2C293&sr=1-9&ufe=app\\_do%3Aamzn1.fos.18ed3cb5-28d5-4975-8bc7-93deae8f9840&th=1](https://www.amazon.com/ecoFlex-Pet-Crate-End-Table/dp/B06ZY5B9FL/ref=sr_1_9?crd=26A9PGRSOSAJ3&keywords=dog%2Bcrates%2Bliving%2Broom%2Btable&qid=1707102796&s=pets-supplies&srefix=dog%2Bcrates%2Bliving%2Broom%2Btable%2Cpets%2C293&sr=1-9&ufe=app_do%3Aamzn1.fos.18ed3cb5-28d5-4975-8bc7-93deae8f9840&th=1)

## **Flight and car soft sided carrying case:**

*\*check with your airline with requirements\**

[https://www.amazon.com/Carrier-Carriers-Airline-Approved-Collapsible/dp/B09VG5P4TJ/ref=sr\\_1\\_2?crd=32WXQG7AS2LSP&keywords=soft%2Bsided%2Bpuppy%2Bcarrying%2Bcase&qid=1707844964&srefix=soft%2Bsided%2Bpuppy%2Bcarrying%2Bcase%2Caps%2C130&sr=8-2-spons&sp\\_csd=d2lkZ2V0TmFtZT1zcF9hdGY&th=1](https://www.amazon.com/Carrier-Carriers-Airline-Approved-Collapsible/dp/B09VG5P4TJ/ref=sr_1_2?crd=32WXQG7AS2LSP&keywords=soft%2Bsided%2Bpuppy%2Bcarrying%2Bcase&qid=1707844964&srefix=soft%2Bsided%2Bpuppy%2Bcarrying%2Bcase%2Caps%2C130&sr=8-2-spons&sp_csd=d2lkZ2V0TmFtZT1zcF9hdGY&th=1)

Larger size for car transportation (fits a growing puppy longer)

[https://www.amazon.com/GAPZER-Carrier-Soft-Sided-Carriers-Protection/dp/B09MHYPS9H/ref=sr\\_1\\_4?crd=P4N27A9XAD0P&keywords=soft%2Bsided%2Bdog%2Bcarrier%2Blarger&qid=1707845077&s=pets-supplies&srefix=soft%2Bsided%2Bdog%2Bcarrier%2Blarger%2Cpets%2C156&sr=1-4&th=1](https://www.amazon.com/GAPZER-Carrier-Soft-Sided-Carriers-Protection/dp/B09MHYPS9H/ref=sr_1_4?crd=P4N27A9XAD0P&keywords=soft%2Bsided%2Bdog%2Bcarrier%2Blarger&qid=1707845077&s=pets-supplies&srefix=soft%2Bsided%2Bdog%2Bcarrier%2Blarger%2Cpets%2C156&sr=1-4&th=1)

## **Grooming:**

Poodles and doodles will need their backend trimmed consistently in order to prevent their feces from getting stuck in their hair. They also will need a good groomer or learn how to do it yourself at home to prevent matting and tangles.

My favorite trimmer comes with a vacuum that sucks in hair while clipping. It also has a brush attachment for when the golden retriever is shedding.

Clipper:

[https://www.amazon.com/oneisall-Grooming-Shedding-Including-Cleaning/dp/B0CB7ZSY41/ref=dp\\_prsbs\\_sccl\\_1/141-4334036-6282324?pd\\_rd\\_w=IhfDc&content-id=amzn1.sym.1179ac71-bcd0-4ec5-9c37-37cc097a57e2&pf\\_rd\\_p=1179ac71-bcd0-4ec5-9c37-37cc097a57e2&pf\\_rd\\_r=SVCAWEYZQGSM1MXJDVQ3&pd\\_rd\\_wg=BXXqT&pd\\_rd\\_r=6c8c24e1-7514-4994-b565-6c79d1719c02&pd\\_rd\\_i=B0CB7ZSY41&psc=1](https://www.amazon.com/oneisall-Grooming-Shedding-Including-Cleaning/dp/B0CB7ZSY41/ref=dp_prsbs_sccl_1/141-4334036-6282324?pd_rd_w=IhfDc&content-id=amzn1.sym.1179ac71-bcd0-4ec5-9c37-37cc097a57e2&pf_rd_p=1179ac71-bcd0-4ec5-9c37-37cc097a57e2&pf_rd_r=SVCAWEYZQGSM1MXJDVQ3&pd_rd_wg=BXXqT&pd_rd_r=6c8c24e1-7514-4994-b565-6c79d1719c02&pd_rd_i=B0CB7ZSY41&psc=1)

Table top grooming stand:

[https://www.amazon.com/Lyromix-Adjustable-Dog-Grooming-Table/dp/B09SWKX1DL/ref=sr\\_1\\_3\\_sspa?keywords=groomer%2Btable&qid=1707106075&sr=8-3-spons&ufe=app\\_do%3Aamzn1.fos.18ed3cb5-28d5-4975-8bc7-93deae8f9840&sp\\_csd=d2lkZ2V0TmFtZT1zcF9hdGY&th=1](https://www.amazon.com/Lyromix-Adjustable-Dog-Grooming-Table/dp/B09SWKX1DL/ref=sr_1_3_sspa?keywords=groomer%2Btable&qid=1707106075&sr=8-3-spons&ufe=app_do%3Aamzn1.fos.18ed3cb5-28d5-4975-8bc7-93deae8f9840&sp_csd=d2lkZ2V0TmFtZT1zcF9hdGY&th=1)

Brushing:

[https://www.amazon.com/gp/product/B000QFQFTY/ref=ppx\\_yo\\_dt\\_b\\_search\\_asin\\_title?ie=UTF8&th=1](https://www.amazon.com/gp/product/B000QFQFTY/ref=ppx_yo_dt_b_search_asin_title?ie=UTF8&th=1)

[https://www.amazon.com/dp/B015VEB9AO?ref=ppx\\_yo2ov\\_dt\\_b\\_product\\_details&th=1](https://www.amazon.com/dp/B015VEB9AO?ref=ppx_yo2ov_dt_b_product_details&th=1)

## Walks

**Collars:**

**Golden's Neck size is about 10-12 inches and size small, however they grow SOOO fast, so be ready for the next size up:)**

**Poodle necks are about 7-8 inches and can fit into a cat collar or xs collar.**

**Harnesses- PLEASE USE HARNESS WHEN TAKING WALKS, AS PUPS DO NOT KNOW HOW TO WALK ON LEASH YET.**

**Sporn and Halti:**

Both harnesses are very easy to use and I highly recommend them! You'll have to buy appropriate sizing. I use a large size on adult Golden's and small on adult mini Poodles.

XXS for mini poodles and XS moyan poodles and micro bernadoodles and Small for goldens at first but they would grow fast into the next size and so on.

[https://www.amazon.com/dp/B002AV3NGA/ref=dp\\_cerb\\_2](https://www.amazon.com/dp/B002AV3NGA/ref=dp_cerb_2)

HALTI No Pull Harness- Non Pull Harness for Dogs, Ideal for No-Pull Training, Obedience, and Walks, Stops Leash Pulling and Choking, Comfortable, Adjustable, Humane, Durable, Safe

[Amazon.com : HALTI No Pull Harness Size Large, Bestselling Professional Dog Harness to Stop Pulling on The Lead, Easy to Use, Anti-Pull Training Aid, Adjustable, Reflective and Breathable, for Large Dogs : Pet Supplies](#)

**Bones-**

DON'T use rawhides- I don't recommend it, they can cause digestive issues and cause them to choke among other possible health issues.

DO- ask your local butcher or grocery store for bones. Or purchase roasted bones, deer/elk antlers or a kong to fill with peanut butter and keep them entertained.

Lots of chew bones and toys since they lose baby teeth this first year and grow adult teeth- they love to chew and better a bone than a shoe!!

[Amazon.com : Amazing Dog Treats - Stuffed Shin Bone for Dogs \(Bully Stick Flavor, 3-4 Inch - 5 Count\) - All Natural Dog Bones : Pet Supplies](#)

[Amazon.com : Natural Farm Cow Hooves \(6 Pack\), Odor-Free, All Natural Sourced from Farm-Raised Beef Hoof Dog Treats, Great Alternative to Bully Sticks or Rawhide, Dental Chew for Small, Medium, Large Breeds : Pet Supplies](#)

Veterinarian and training

Find a good vet by asking for referrals.

Find a trainer or puppy class, if you think you'll need some direct training! These dogs will train beautifully, if you put the time in and use positive reinforcement!

#### **ONLINE RESOURCE FOR TRAINING:**

Exciting to share that we have officially teamed up with **BAXTER & Bella** and their exclusive online puppy school!

This online dog training program provides everything needed in order to achieve better animal ownership and experience the very best in canine companionship, including a STEP-BY-STEP PROGRAM to follow, CLASSES & COURSES to attend, GAMES to play, ACTIVITIES for successful socialization, unlimited LIVE! HELP with their team of professional trainers, as well as so much more!

We highly recommend it and you can save SAVE 25% instantly with our unique discount code:

## **Clementi**

Check them out here:

<https://www.baxterandbella.com/learn-more>

We work hard to properly prepare your puppy for you, going to great lengths to start them on the pathway toward healthiness and happiness - we are talking about training and a lot of it! THE BAXTER & Bella ONLINE PUPPY SCHOOL is perfect for this! Just imagine a program that helps provide a seamless transition from us to you, and is as much about teaching your dog how to act, as it is about coaching you how to train. Not only will you learn the skills you need to be successful, but your puppy will learn the manners and behaviors they will need for living life in a human world. What's more, the program is designed for you to begin prior to picking up your puppy and it's recommended you get signed up right away.

Amy, who is the owner and creator of BAXTER & Bella, is also a certified professional dog trainer, has a background in education and teaches you exactly what to do and how to do it... it's honestly a game-changing resource!

Again, we are really excited to be able to offer special pricing on this incredible online training program and hope you will sign up today, begin preparing now and properly prepare for your upcoming journey toward becoming best friends through love and learning with your pup soon!

#### **Spay (female) & neuter (male)**

What age to spay and neuter has become a topic of discussion for many breeders, owners and vets over the years. In the past it was said to have the procedure done before they go into sexual maturity to avoid unplanned litters. However, studies have shown it is beneficial to wait and let the dogs hormones and physical development to each age closer to maturity. The recommended age for a male is 12-14 months

and a female is 8-10 months old, after she has her first heat cycle. I will attach a link with further information on some of the pros and cons of waiting to spay/neuter.

<https://www.my-golden.com/best-age-to-neuter-a-golden-retriever/#:~:text=What%20is%20the%20Best%20Age%20to%20Neuter%20a,12%20months%20of%20age%20and%20after%2012%20months.>

ALL IN ALL, I hope to just help you on your way to enjoying your new family friend! They are going to love you and your family! Have fun! Please DON'T hesitate to ask for help or any other questions! We are here for a lifetime of support!

Thanks again and we wish you the BEST! 😊

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