

Miss Maxine is 7 1/2 years old and we've taken agility classes on and off throughout her life with the exception of the past few years. Although we've had experience in agility, I decided to sign up for Agility 1 with Tammy because Maxine loves it and I definitely need to practice and improve my handling skills. Of all the places we have taken classes (I think there have been six--some in PA, some in FL), I can honestly say we've never had as much fun learning as we are with Tammy. For one thing, there is very little downtime. The only time you are sitting is during initial instruction and rest periods. Tammy sets everything up so that everyone can be constantly working with their dogs. She is very watchful and helpful as we work with our dogs and individualizes her approach to both people and dogs to their particular needs and skill levels. Tammy's teaching style is completely positive, but thorough. Despite having some experience running with Maxine on an agility course, I'm learning many new techniques and reminded of many little things that can send a dog off course, such as the direction your feet should point and how/where to set up both yourself and your dog to start. There are so many things to keep in mind while doing agility, I'm glad I signed up for the class. I'm getting a lot out of it. I'm enjoying our classmates and I can see how quickly the teams who may have never taken agility before are learning from Tammy. Tammy's goal is for all of us to have fun learning together which I'd say she achieves. Everyone seems happy, upbeat, and energetic after class. I'd call it more of an agility party than a class. It's loads of fun and we're all learning at the same time.