

First and foremost, we are **dog breeders**, not behaviour specialists. We do not guarantee temperament traits of puppies or older dogs that we sell. The information provided on profiles are a *guide only*. Some temperament traits are stable, others can be influenced by environment. The temperaments of dogs can be shaped to some degree, other traits need to be managed.

Observation Methodologies

'In the playpen' observations are taken in Week 5 over the course of an hour for five days. The playpen is a very familiar environment for puppies. During these sessions, puppies are exposed to new sounds, movement and objects in the company of their siblings and trusted human.

'By myself' observations are also conducted over three days in Week 5. Puppies are left for a short period, up to five minutes, alone in the playpen and observed on camera. If puppies become distressed for more than 30 seconds, the observation session ends.

'Temperament testing' results are gathered from a series of routines with a person in one session who is a stranger to the puppy. We also use a neutral dog who the puppy has not had an interaction with before. We ensure that the puppy is relaxed and comfortable before introducing them to the next test routine, and pause / stop the testing if the puppy shows signs of distress.

This testing looks for:

Human assertiveness (approaching new people)

Confidence (belief in own abilities to approach a new situation)

Motivation level (intrinsic desire to work for and with a human)

Resilience (ability to handle stress reactions in situations)

Touch tolerance (ability to be handled by a stranger)

Energy level (general)

Noise sensitivity (recovery from loud noises)

Prey drive (chasing)

Human focus (eye contact, ability to stay connected with distractions.

It is imperative to note that this testing captures a baseline only. New owners need to take their own context into account and be dedicated to advocating for their dogs needs throughout their lifetime.



About Me:

Velvet is a calm, thoughtful pup with a gentle nature. She likes to take in the world around her before jumping in, making her a quiet observer who chooses her moments until she is comfortable. Velvet has a sweet, soulful eye contact and will form a deep bond with her person. She's quietly confident, enjoys her space, and approaches new situations with calm curiosity. Velvet would thrive in a home that values a peaceful companion and is willing to give her time to blossom into the loyal, loving dog she's destined to be.



DOB: 25/04/2025

Microchip: TBC

Litter Name: The Encore Litter

Parents: Orla x Bradley

In the Play Pen

With Others:

- Happily plays with other pups like her.
- Shows great manners when others do not want to play anymore.
- Is often found sleeping by herself in the chaos.

By Myself:

- Velvet does take a few minutes to settle but will often take herself off to sleep.
- She will benefit from being left alone with an interactive treat.

Temperament Testing

Trait	Score
Assertiveness	Medium
Confidence	Low
Motivation Level	Medium
Nerve Strength / Resiliency	Medium
Touch Tolerance	High
Energy Level	Low
Sound Sensitivity	Medium
Sight Sensitivity	Low
Prey Drive	Low
Human Focus	Medium

To Support Me:

- Velvet is more interested in stationary toys and tasty enrichment rather than chasing.
- Due to her sweet nature, owners will want to coddle her. She needs just as much independent time.
- Let her initiate moving into new spaces and meeting new people. Get people to give her treats once she is seated.
- She may be prone to noise sensitivity as she gets older. Crate training is a must to ensure she feels like she has a place to go during storms etc.
- She would benefit from daily adventures to new places whilst she is young to continue to build up her confidence.
- Although she moves toward bigger dogs with politeness, you need to ensure that she has good interactions in the first 6 months so that she remains confident in this space.

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