

Dog Training for Bird Hunting

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Spaniel & Retriever Training

TEXAS TRACE Kennel & Gun dog training facility



Please read about our training in this brochure and if you need more details, go to our website or contact us directly.



We are dedicated to our little brown friends!

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Roslin Copeland is the Head Gun Dog Trainer at Texas Trace. She comes from a teaching and coaching background which gives her a unique perspective with dog training. Roslin has owned and bred Boykin Spaniels for 25 years. She has trained multiple Boykin Spaniels and other breeds. She has achieved multiple AKC Hunt Test Titles and has produced numerous happy bird hunting dogs. She believes that spaniels and especially Boykin Spaniels require a different approach than the hard line forced approach. It requires more of a teaching, demonstration, ensuring comprehension with much repetition and positive reinforcements. This teaching approach with a step by step progressive method will help ensure your dog reaches its full potential. Ginger Hurley is our expert trainer on Obedience Training & assistant gun dog trainer. She has been training, breeding dogs for over 20 years. We focus on training dogs to hunt! Communication with the dog, developing a relationship with understanding, is important whether you want a good hunting dog and/or a good family dog. This training style produces a happy, successful, loving dog that enjoys what they do and understands the relationship between them and their owner(s).

Training Levels

We offer group classes and private lessons. Prices are subject to change without notice. Evaluations \$50 for 30 minutes.

Group Classes: once per week for 1 ^{1/2} hours for 4 weeks. All classes will be at the Texas Trace Training Facilities and all equipment will be provided along with written syllabus and class booklet.

Obedience Training: This option is great for the more hands-on-owner who wants to learn with their dog. We will focus on obedience behavior, obedience commands, how's and whys of the correct implementation of commands, and teach you how to help your dog with socialization skills. At this level dog age: 5 months - 1 year old. We will cover Heel, Off, Whoa, Sit, Stay, Come, Change of Direction, Down, Place, Table/Kennel Up, Give and incorporate whistle and hand signals. Introduce beginner apparatus & agility. We will introduce proper execution of each command and teach you how to reinforce at home. \$400 for 4 weeks (1 ^{1/2} hrs per week)

Intro Started Gun Dog Training: This package is guided towards the bird hunters and includes reinforcement of the obedience commands with verbal/whistle/hand signals and the retrieve in a variety of ways including drill work. We begin with table work, zip-line work, enclosed ground work with bumpers, wing-bumpers & frozen birds. Then we progress to open ground work and water work with down-birds and flyers with gun shot conditioning. We will use side-by tosses, tracking tosses and launchers. \$600 for 4 weeks (1 ^{1/2} hrs per week).

Started Gun Dog Training: This package is guided towards the bird hunters and includes reinforcement of the skills learned at the Introduction Class, progress to field work, waterwork, down-birds, flyers and live shot. Work on blinds and multi-retrieves. Stop & change of direction and Back commands in field. Introduce steadiness to shot and quartering. We will use tracking tosses, launchers and flushing birds. \$700 for 4 wks (1 ^{1/2} hrs per wk).

Private Lessons: Offered at any level above. Scheduled when you need or want it. Obedience level will be for \$125 per hour. Introduction or Started Gun Dog or Advanced levels will be \$200 per hour. Live Flyers at additional charge.

Texas Trace Facility



Texas Trace is a licensed private hunting preserve approximately 130 acres on Clear Creek located in Hempstead, Texas, Waller County. There are three open fields with good cover, great for upland bird hunting. There is traditional southern grasslands with gorgeous oak, pecan, elm and sycamore trees scattered throughout the property, great for field training. There are also several smaller creeks that run through the wooded areas and a dogtraining pond, great for water work. Flyers may be a mix of quail/pigeon/chukar. Table work is for "Guided Table Fetching". There is a Zip Line & a narrow fenced-in area to specifically work on line retrieves. There are numerous areas for different looks to work blinds, multiply complex retrieves & various training drills.

