

I'd like to buy a Dane puppy...

You may have heard people warn you against Backyard Breeders (BYB's) but what's the problem?

Backyard Breeder:



Not registered with their states canine body i.e. Dogs NSW. and therefore are not held accountable nor follow a Breeders Code of Conduct.



Generally doesn't understand what sound healthy conformation (bone structure) looks like so may breed dogs that are unsound who will produce unsound dogs that may have issues later on in life i.e. joint issues, pain & discomfort from being 'poorly' bred.



Doesn't understand genetics and may breed with weak nerved / poor temperament dogs who will pass this onto their puppies which may not be recognised until those puppies are mature.



Usually are just after your money so have little interest in providing you life time support or taking the dog back if you have to rehome it.



Do not do any health screening to 'prove' that their dogs are free of such conditions at the time of the breeding such as: Hip & Elbow Scoring (these are X-Rays that are sent away to a professional to 'read' and 'score'), ECG/Other Heart test (this is more than the Vet just listening to the heart), Thyroid Clear (Blood test).



Does not disclose to you any other health problems (that cannot be tested for) that have been seen in the lines usually because they do not know the history of the lines or are dishonest.



Does not give you Pedigree Papers that are original and issued by their states canine body that 'prove' your dog is a Purebred dog. Without Pedigree papers you cannot guarantee your dog will be purebred.

Visit www.greatdanerescue.com.au/downloads.htm to download a 'Buying a Puppy' Information pack to help you avoid the common pitt falls.