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The DO'S and DON'TS of Dog Training





GROUP CLASS SIERRA VISTA

WEDNESDAYS:

9:00 AM & 6:00 PM

7780 E. SIERRA SUNSET RD SIERRA VISTA, AZ 85635

SATURDAYS:

8:00 AM & 10:00 AM

7780 E. SIERRA SUNSET RD SIERRA VISTA, AZ 85635

NO GROUP CLASS SATURDAY,

Join us at the Mutt March

TUCSON SUNDAYS:

7:30 AM

1st, 3rd, & 5th-if applicable Sunday each month

PURPLE HEART PARK 10050 E. RITA RD TUCSON, AZ 85747

7:30 AM

2nd & 4th Sunday each month

MORRIS UDALL PARK 7200 E. TANQUE VERDE RD TUCSON, AZ 85715

DO'S

- Praise your dog every time he/she comes to you
- Give your dog a command only once; if your dog does not respond, reinforce the command and make sure they understand what you want them to do.
- Say your dog's name first to get his/her attention, then give the command
- Eliminate the word "NO" from your training vocabulary and replace with "OFF" or "Leave it" followed by what you want your dog to do
- Use a normal or pleasant tone of voice when you give commands to your dog
- Be consistent in your actions and expectations
- Provide an outlet for your dog's energy (mentally and physically)
- Keep your dog mentally stimulated by training him/her
- Socialize your dog with people and other
- Be your dog's teacher and leader
- Make training and learning fun for your dog
- Consistently reward your dog with praise for the correct behaviors (praise immediately when the dog obeys. If your dog stops obeying the command, stop praising and simply start the command over)
- Continue trying with your dog (repetition and consistency are how dogs learn)
- Be patient! Patience goes a LONG way when training your dog

For More Information:

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DON'TS

- Do NOT do anything unpleasant anytime your dog comes to you
- Do NOT repeat commands over and over because your dog will learn to ignore you
- Do NOT say your dog's name and expect him/her to know what you want; follow up with a command
- Do NOT yell at your dog; your dog will not want to learn from you
- Do NOT confuse your dog with unrealistic expectations
- Do NOT suppress behaviors that need an outlet; redirect your dog
- Do NOT let your dog shut down, run off, or get out of training at anytime; use a leash and reinforce your command
- Do NOT expect your dog to obey commands you have not taught him/her
- Do NOT get frustrated or too serious in training your dog; remember, training should be fun for both you and your dog
- Do NOT reward undesired behaviors (no physically touching the dog, giving the dog a treat, or verbally praising the dog until the dog obeys the command)
- Do NOT give up when training gets tough
- Do NOT blame the dog; you are the one teaching him/her





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Sierra Vista Dog Groomers:

Pet Corral 4107 East Glenn Road Sierra Vista, AZ 85650 520.378.2060

Paw Passion 100 6th Street Sierra Vista, AZ 85635 520.255.4887

Waggin' Tails 1157 E. Fry Blvd Sierra Vista, AZ 85635 520.4147.0875

Anasazi Pet Grooming 2145 S. Hwy 92 Sierra Vista, AZ 85635 520,459,8300

Local Shelters:

Sierra Vista Animal Control/Shelter 520.458.4151

Huachuca City Animal Shelter 520,456,1337

> **Bisbee Animal Shelter** 520,432,6020

Tombstone Animal Shelter 520,457,3144

Border Animal Rescue 520,432,7964

Pet Bakeries:

Furbabies Pet Bakery 196 W. Fry Blvd Sierra Vista, AZ 85635 520.459.8373



Furbabies Pet Bakery is an all natural and organic Pet Treat and Food Shop. They specialize in birthday cakes, frozen yogurt, and other treats for any occasion for your pets, even for special dietary needs. They also carry Taste of the Wild, NutriSource, Pure Vita, Instinct, Zegnature, Fromm, and Evangers.

Welcome to the AKC's Canine Good Citizen (CGC) Program. Started in 1989, the CGC Program is designed to reward dogs who have good manners at home and in the community. The Canine Good Citizen Program is a two-part program that stresses responsible pet ownership for owners and basic good manners for dogs. All dogs who pass the 10-step CGC test may receive a certificate from the American Kennel Club.

All dogs, including both purebred and mixed breed dogs are welcome to participate in the AKC's Canine Good Citizen (CGC) Program. Dogs must be old enough to have received necessary immunizations such as rabies vaccines. Owners will sign the Responsible Dog Owners Pledge attesting to having the dog under the routine care of a veterinarian who will work with the owner to determine an appropriate plan and schedule for vaccines and other health care procedures.

Your dog will be tested on the following:

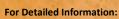
- Accepting a Friendly Stranger
- Sitting Politely for Petting
- Appearance and Grooming
- Out for a Walk (walking on loose lead)
- Walking through a Crowd
- Sit and Down on Command and Staying in Place
- Coming When Called
- Reaction to Another Dog
- Reaction to Distraction
- Supervised Separation



Meet Copper! He is now a CGC Graduate! Great Job. Tammy & Copper!

AKC CANINE

GOOD CITIZEN



http://www.akc.org/dog-owners/training/canine-good-citizen/what-is-canine-good-citizen/



All of our trainers are A.K.C. certified! If you are interested in having your dog tested, please call our office at 520-477-8331 to schedule testing.

(There is a small fee for testing. Please call our office for pricing)





As part of the Fun Festival, the 5 kilometer Mutt March is set for Saturday, Sept.

call 538-0836 or 533-5714

24th starting at 7:30 a.m. Bring your pet and participate in this fun event. Cost is \$10 for pet and human.

Refreshments and a t-shirt are included, while they last. Also, vendors will offer pet-related items, services and information. Sign up for the Mutt March at the ramada at the southwest side of Veterans' Memorial Park,

Sierra Vista. For more information, or to pre-register and reserve your t-shirt size. call 533-5714 or 538-0836.

Tucson 1 Botanical

Dog Days at Tucson Botanical Gardens!

Jun 16, 2016 to Sep 30, 2016 7:30 am to 4:30 pm

Admission: \$3 per dog, plus Human Admission or purchase a Dog Membership for \$20. We're once again celebrating the Dog Days of Summer by opening our gates to leashed dogs. As part of the Tucson Botanical Gardens' Urban Oasis Series, guests are welcome to bring their well-behaved dogs to enjoy our Urban Oasis in the Heart of Tucson. Dog Admission is \$3 per dog per visit. With a Dog Membership, your canine companion will receive unlimited daily admission during the summer months and a special canine membership card with ring that can be attached to any collar or leash. Additional dog members may be added for only \$10 each. Dog memberships can be purchased in the Gardens Gift Shop or by calling (520) 326-9686, Ext 13. (2150 North Alvernon Way, Tucson, AZ 85712) For more information, please call 520-326-9686, ex 10 or email info@tucsonbotanical.org.

DOG PORTRAITS IN THE GARDEN:

Thursday, September 15th

7:30 to 9:30 a.m.

Professional photographer Vicky Stromee generously donates her time to the Gardens each year to make this fun event a fundraiser for the Gardens. www.vickystromeephotography.com/

Includes both digital and hard copy photos as well as Garden Admission for you and your dog. \$10 for one pose; \$15 for two poses; No reservation required.





4860 AZ-90 Sierra Vista, AZ 85635 520-458-1545

If you're a proud pet owner or would like to be, mark your calendars for Saturday, Sept. 17 when the Tractor Supply Co. will be celebrating your furry friends for Pet Appreciation Week.

On Saturday, Sept. 17, Tractor Supply's Pet Appreciation Week will feature in-store pet adoptions with

community groups and offer samples of select pet products.

Pet Appreciation Week is a time when our love for animals really shines. It's an opportunity for us to find great homes for animals and celebrate the community partners and rescues who care for these animals

In addition to supporting community groups in their work to find good homes for dogs and cats, Pet Appreciation Week, Sept. 14-18, will help raise awareness of the importance of spaying and neutering pets and provide information on proper pet care and nutrition.

Customers will also be able to enjoy a slew of family-friendly activities including drawings for \$200 worth of gift cards and giveaways.

All Pet Appreciation Week events are open to the public — and pets — and will take place at your local Tractor Supply Store.

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Sierra Vista Vet Clinics:

Coronado Veterinary Hospital 4181 East Glenn Road Sierra Vista, AZ 85650 520,226,9333

> **New Frontier AMC** 2045 Paseo San Luis Sierra Vista, AZ 85635 520.459.0433

Sierra Animal Hospital 900 S. Hwy 92 Sierra Vista, AZ 85635 520.458.8656

Fort Huachuca Veterinary Services Building 30022 Fort Huachuca, AZ 85613 520.533.2767

VCA Apache Animal Hospital 1700 S. Hwy 92, Suite F & G Sierra Vista, AZ 85635 520.458.0930

> **Geiger Veterinary Mobile Clinic** 520-732-8262

Cochise Animal Hospital 1993 S. Barnett Rd. Bisbee, AZ 85603 520.432.3296

Dr. Jackson Noble DVM 2145 S. Highway 92 Sierra Vista, AZ 85635 520.458.0930



Contact us to inquire about our next puppy class start date and to register now! 520-477-8331

American Kennel Club (AKC) S.T.A.R. Puppy Class



http://www.akc.org/starpuppy

The AKC S.T.A.R. Puppy class is an exciting new program designed to get dog owners and their puppies off to a good start. This Program is a great way to get the newest member of your family socialized and on their way to being a happy, balanced and obedient family member!

What will my puppy learn in 6-weeks?

- Come
- Place
- Sit
- Down
- Allows petting
- Grooming
- Walking on a leash Appropriate reactions to distractions
- Staying with another person on a leash
- As well as, 20 to 30 minutes of playtime and socialization

Location:

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(520) 477-8331

7780 E Sierra Sunset Dr. Sierra Vista, AZ 85635

Cost: \$200 per puppy 4 months or younger (exceptions for older puppies may be made with approval from the instructors)

Contact Sit Means Sit at 520-477-8331 or visit our website at http://sitmeanssit.com/dog-trainingmu/southeastern-arizona-dog-training/to reserve a spot in the next available class.

AKC S.T.A.R. Puppy Graduates



RECENT BOARD & TRAIN GRADU

Shot Clinics:

Jem's Feed and Farm Co 5373 S. Moson Rd Sierra Vista, AZ 85650 520.378.0057

Tractor Supply Company 4860 E. Hwy 90 Sierra Vista, AZ 85635 520,458,1545

Tucson Vet Clinics:

Banfield Pet Hospital 3850 W. River Rd Tucson, AZ 85741 520.297.9700

Catalina Pet Hospital 3801 E. Fort Lowell Rd Tucson, AZ 85716 520.829.3741



Contact Us!

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Trainers: BRITTANY ANGONE

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RACHEL KEMPTON In Training



We're on the Web!

http://sitmeanssit.com/dog-training-mu/southeastern-arizona-dog-training-Check us out on Facebook! https://www.facebook.com/pages/Sit-means-Sit-Southern-Arizona/305166249508089?ref=hl

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