

GROOMING

YES, this breed sheds and a vacuum cleaner is a must! Keeping your Samoyed properly groomed is very important to the health of your dog. The best source of grooming information is your dog's breeder. They will show you how to properly brush and line comb your dog to maintain the coat between baths.

They may also be able to recommend a professional groomer in your area if you do not have the space, time, or equipment to bathe and groom your dog at home. Other good sources of groomers for your Samoyed could be Samoyed owners in your area, and your dog training center.



HEALTH AND NUTRITION

Health and nutrition go hand in hand. Being an ancient breed, Samoyeds have fewer health concerns than many, however, they are not immune from issues that affect dogs in general: hip dysplasia, some eye anomalies, possible heart defects. A well-bred Samoyed has had these issues taken into consideration by responsible breeders long before breeding partners are selected. Having a good relationship with a veterinary practice and frequent health check-ups will keep most Samoyeds' health concerns at a minimum.



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For more information, visit the
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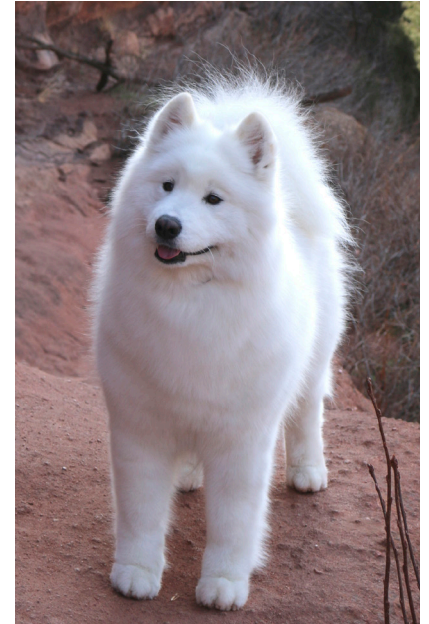


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The SAMOYED

The Samoyed is a beautiful, smiling dog born from the Arctic and is the breed enthusiasts love. Their medium size, robust sense of humor, and a mind and body that craves attention and partnership in adventure, makes this breed a wonderful companion, ready to be included in many of its owner's activities. These include hiking, conformation, sledding, weight pull, obedience, rally, agility, herding, as well as joining the family in their adventures.

The Samoyed came into existence in the northern reaches of Siberia, one of the coldest regions on earth. These dogs had to think for themselves to survive the arctic winter. Food could be scarce for people and dogs, so there remains a propensity to roam and hunt. Frustration at being constantly fenced can lead to digging, barking and other destructive behaviors. A new owner needs to dog proof landscaping, and provide a fenced-in environment, however, a dog bred to follow a nomadic



people is not content to sit alone in the backyard continually. They need activity, and they need to do things with their people. A happy Samoyed that is side-by-side with its family, is a dog that does not create problems.

These dogs need us! When they are content, they are loyal, funny, fun-loving, and creative. Much like a child, they will test us to make sure we are attentive and including them. A basic obedience class teaches about dog behaviors and how to establish boundaries. All Samoyed owners will benefit and often be amazed by how training makes their Sammy a wonderful, well-behaved companion.



ACTIVITIES

Samoyeds are energetic dogs that love to do things with their people! With consistent training, they can go far in many areas. Any pursuits provide great outlets for bonding with your Samoyed and provide them with the exercise and manners to keep them physically and mentally healthy and happy.



Pack Hiking



Sledding



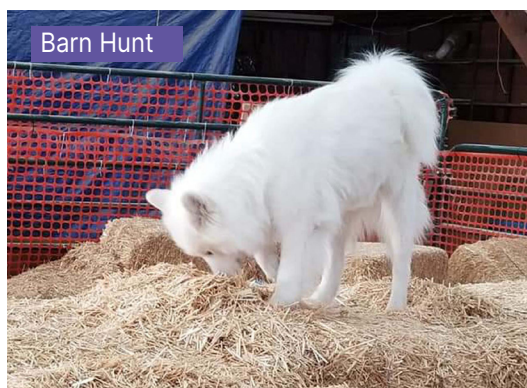
FastCAT



Herding



Agility



Barn Hunt



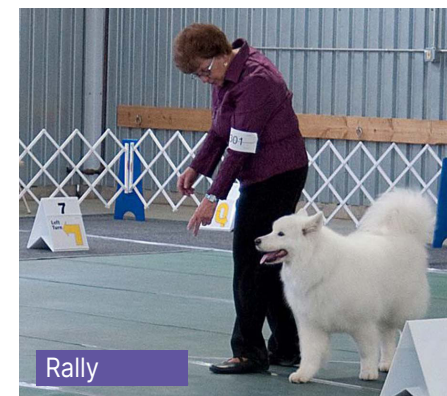
Weight Pull



Skijoring



Obedience



Rally



Therapy



Family Fun