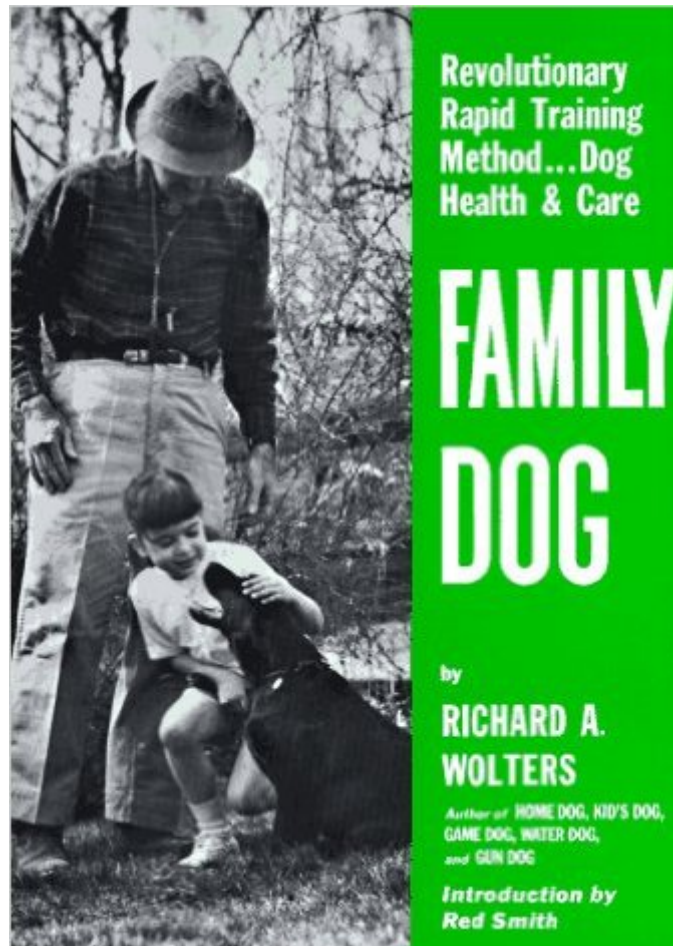


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# Family Dog: Revolutionary Rapid Training Method... Dog Health & Care



## Synopsis

Widely recognized as one of the great dog trainers of his time, Richard Wolters's tested techniques continue to endure. *Family Dog* was the first book written for any member of the family, from age six to sixty, who wants to train a dog fast. By following the book's simple instructions, anyone can have a well-trained dog in just sixteen weeks. In *Family Dog* Wolters teaches:

- \* How to choose the right dog for your family and lifestyle
- \* The benefits of play and relaxation
- \* Talking with your dog-- it's not what you say, but how you say it
- \* All the fundamentals of training-- house-breaking, basic commands, and tricks
- \* Tips on grooming
- \* The best dog diet in the world
- \* First-aid and medical advice, and much more

More than 200 all-new pictures in chronological, step-by-step sequence illustrate exactly what to do with your pet in a way that takes the frustration out of training and works for all breeds and any age.

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## Customer Reviews

Wolters is (in my opinion) one of, if not the, best and most knowledgeable author(s) for the training of dogs, especially the Lab. I have all of his dog books. *Family Dog* has been especially important because it gives the general information on puppy selection and phases as well as training philosophy without pictures of birds in the dogs' mouths or any information about using the dog for hunting. Which is great if you don't plan to hunt your dog, but also indispensable reading for your partner in training and raising a puppy in my case it is the perfect companion to *Water Dog* (also by Wolters). My wife has read *Family Dog* and now understands the importance of many things in the training of our new puppy which she wouldn't have if only given the choice to read *Water*

Dog.Family Dog is written well enough for a child to read as a primer for your new puppy (in fact Wolters Daughter is included as the primary trainer).

Twenty years ago I read Richard Wolters: Gun Dog when working with a young Brittany Spaniel. He had some very good insight for that working with a hunting dog, but also, general puppy training as well. In later years I gave the book to a friend who was starting to work with a young dog. When we recently adopted (or was adopted by) a shelter pup I found this book. It has worked very well to compliment some other books I am reading for training an older puppy (6 months) although I find it more geared toward starting a younger puppy, but that is the case with several of the books I have read and is the ideal situation for training. Don't be mislead by the black and white pictures which has the appearance of an older high school text book, the content is relevant to current times. Dogs have been dogs for thousands of years and what they responded well to 20 years ago (with a good trainer) they respond well to today.

This is the BEST book to help you learn how to train your puppy. The book is from the 1970-80 era; however, has just what you need to train your dog. Very easy read, relates training methods with children as well as adults and made me proud to be a dog owner! Shadee is now 4 and I wouldn't trade her for anything. She listens to all commands (verbal & sign) and we never have any trouble with her in the house.

If your a Lab owner and want an ideal way to train your family dog, you have found the ideal book in family Dog.It also is a great companion to Water Dog. Simply a must read for lab owners!!

We had used Gun Dog by Walters to train our 2 previous dogs and found that info very helpful. Our current dog is a "rescue dog" and much of the material in the book was not relevant for our current situation. The book was okay, but is a bit outdated.

I have never trained a Dog in my life.I got a puppy and the book, Family Dog:16 weeks to well mannered Dog What a wonderful and human and simple way of training.My puppy Rambler is 5 years old now,he goes every where with me. I have had 100's of people comment on what well manered and trained dog he is and because of this he is my very- very best frend.Thank You Very Much Ricard.A.Wolter

If you are serious about training your new puppy, you need this book! I have owned dogs for years, and this book is the best you will find to give you an insight about how the age of a dog influences their behavior. YOU MUST FIND A PUPPY AT 49 DAYS OLD TO BEGIN THE TRAINING PROCESS.

I have found this book to be a most excellent and time-proven method to training the best "family dogs" on the face of this earth. Beginning with picking a puppy, obtaining the puppy on the 49th day, and the day by day training methods, this book is a thorough description of how to raise the most well-mannered, well-adjusted, people oriented dogs I have ever encountered

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