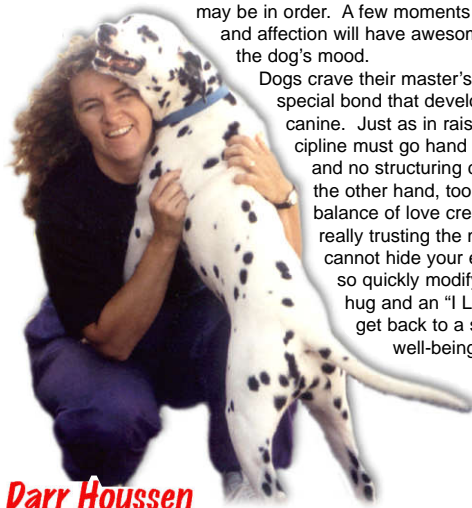


Pet Tip of the Week

Genuine Love:

Dogs and puppies have the amazing ability to sense our emotions and feelings. If we are happy, they will automatically pick up our positive vibes. When we are tired, afraid, angry or anxious, they will pick these up too and respond accordingly to your mood. Therefore, it is very important to govern your emotions when training or handling your dog. If you start feeling upset or frustrated at any time with your puppy or dog, stop the activity, relax and genuinely love your pet. For some dogs, that may be a simple pat on the head, for others, a pat and chat session may be in order. A few moments of that genuine, real love and affection will have awesome effects on yours and the dog's mood.



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Dogs crave their master's touch and thrive on the special bond that develops between master and canine. Just as in raising children, love and discipline must go hand in hand. Too much love and no structuring creates a selfish fool. On the other hand, too much discipline without a balance of love creates a fearful pet, never really trusting the master's motives. You cannot hide your emotions from your dog, so quickly modify the upset times with a hug and an "I Love Ya, You Silly Dog" and get back to a sense of harmony and well-being once again.

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