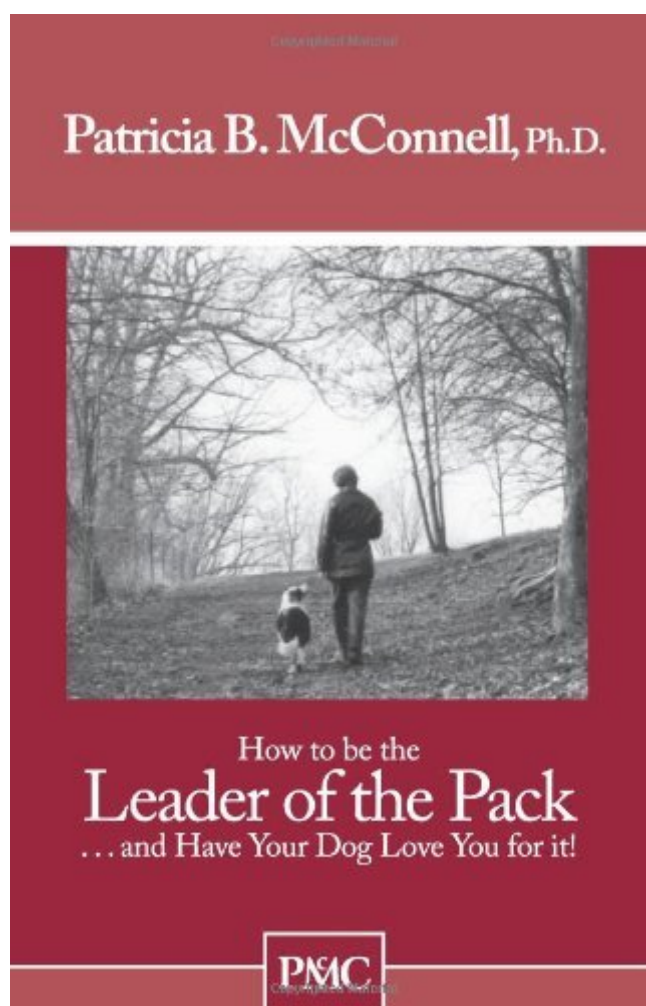


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How To Be The Leader Of The Pack...And Have Your Dog Love You For It.



Synopsis

It's NOT about "dominance!" Learn how to love your dogs without spoiling them and provide boundaries without intimidation. This concise and affordable pamphlet clarifies how to be a benevolent leader and help your dog learn to be a calm and confident member of the family.

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Customer Reviews

Patricia is an excellent animal behaviorist and I recommend all her books. This one is the best one yet. Trisha is not a dog trainer--she is an animal behaviorist, this is what makes all the difference! Think of an animal behaviorist as a "root-cause" analyzer of behavior. Training only helps to train the pet to do a certain action but it does not get at the root cause of the response or behavior (like inadvertently rewarding the behavior, you would be amazed at how many of us do this). One of my dogs has had dog training with Dogs Best Friend and they have the kindest and most dog-friendly ways of teaching!! Patricia's dog training classes teaches us that 99.9% of dog training consists of training the human, not the dog. Patricia teaches us how although we may be animals, the messages we send to our best friends are much different. For example, we may smile at our dog or attempt to hug it, but in dog language that is an act of aggression! In this book she tries to teach us how to

behave more like dogs, and less like people (however crazy that sounds). One thing I remember from Dogs Best Friend training was a trainer whom had a family pet as a child who only responded to "sit, sit, sit, sit." It would not answer to just the command "sit." Patricia teaches us the value of the 1-word command, and the usage of positive, rewards-based training. This book is more than just a training book it provides valuable insight into the way dogs think. You will be amazed at how much your pet can learn when you start speaking their language! This book teaches us to think about how we are behaving in front of our dogs, and how important it is to "Be the leader of the pack, A benevolent leader," as she would say. Any dog lover is at a loss without this book.

Patricia McConnell gives simple, concise, detailed instructions for every level of dog ownership, from the totally clueless beginner to the "been there done that" expert. I have a "Difficult Dog" who has fear-aggression issues with large (50+ lbs) black dogs and white dogs. Other color dogs do not arouse him as much (he's curious and will approach them, sometimes with play bows). Smaller dogs are always okay. I'm a petite (4'9") owner. My 70 lb dog (RhodesianRidgeback-Golden Lab mix) is always on leash with a Gentle Leader dog bridle during our walks. We live in cattle, horse, and sheep farm country where dogs may be shot if they chase rancher's stock, and where it is a misdemeanor to allow your dog to chase deer, and where dogs have been "taken away" after they were reported for having killed neighbors' cats and small dogs.. Some of my less responsible neighbors allow their dogs to run loose. My dog and I were attacked by a large black dog and his packmate, a large white dog. These unsupervised dogs knocked me down, with my dog still "attached" to me by his leash which had become entangled in my legs. My dog lost confidence in me as leader/protector after that incident. My dog and I have been to 8 training classes at our local humane society and have had two separate hour-long private consults with dog behaviorists. HOW TO BE THE LEADER OF THE PACK and Patricia McConnell's other booklet, FIESTY FIDO, are always in my dog supplies fanny pack which I take with me everywhere I take my dog. These easy to understand booklets are handy for quick reference for the "Why" and "How To" of basic proactive techniques and behaviors I need to learn and practice in order to live safely and happily with my canine best friend and other people's dogs.

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