

Potential Puppy Owner Questionnaire

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Recommended by the Bohemian Shepherd Club of North America (BSCNA)

We are very glad you are interested in this wonderful rare breed. Please understand we are looking for the best possible homes for puppies. We recommend you research this breed and try to meet with a Bohemian Shepherd (if possible) to determine if this is the right breed for you and your family.

Currently, the majority of puppies are imported from foreign countries and a litter born in North America is extremely rare and may happen every few years.

We want to let you know that we cannot guarantee the personality nor athleticism/energy level of a puppy. This is a shepherd breed and thus many have shepherd tendencies such as being aloof or guarding their family and property. We do our best to find breedings with personalities and or abilities in the parents that may suit some owner's wishes but there is no guarantee. Final placement of puppies is left to the discretion of the breeders. Also please understand that we do not help find adult dogs to import.

If possible, please fill out this form using a **red** font color for your answers.

Are you interested in breeding? And would you like more information on this subject?

Yes/Possibly Please contact me with more information about breeding.

No

I am not interested in breeding.

Please let us know if you are willing to wait for a puppy born here in North America (this may take several years) or if you are interested in an imported puppy.

- a) North American Puppy Only
- b) Import Only
- c) Either is fine

What is the time frame in which you are interested in obtaining a puppy?

PLEASE NOTE: After you submit your answers to the questions below, we will place you on our waitlist and someone from the BSCNA will contact you to discuss ownership of a Bohemian Shepherd. Thank you for your interest!

Today's Date:

August 1, 2020

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- 1) How did you discover the Bohemian Shepherd and why are you interested in this breed? I did an extensive online research and was looking for a dog breed that would meet my expectations: medium size, active, friendly and affectionate, not aggressive (preferably a watch dog), easy to train (I've never had a dog before), intelligent, barking when necessary. 2) Have you researched the Bohemian Shepherd and understand its personality, possible health problems in the breed, and care/exercise it needs? Yes, I did my research and learnt about the Bohemian Shepherd breed and I understand the personality of these dogs (me and my husband met with an owner of three Bohemian Shepherd and we had an opportunity to see the dogs in person). I also know about the health issues typical for this breed. I realize Chodskys are active dogs and need exercise. 3) Have you met a Bohemian Shepherd? Please give us the name of the dog and owner that you've met. Yes, as I mentioned above – me and my husband met with Jolanta Rose Schubert and met all of her dogs: Lana, Tippy and Thor. 4) Do you have a gender preference and why do you prefer this sex? No gender preference 5) In what type of dwelling do you live and is it owned or rented? a) Single-family b) Apartment
 - c) Townhouse
 - d) Condominium (owned)
 - e) Other
 - 6) How long have you lived at your current address? 10 years
 - 7) What size is your yard?

None

Small

1/4 acre

1/2 acre

1+ *acre*

- 8) Is your yard fenced? N/A Type of fencing and height?
- 9) List all household members and age, if under the age of 12 It's just me and my husband
- 10) Please list pets you have owned in the past 15 years including what happened to them. Haven't owned

Species	Spayed/Neutered	How long owned?	Where are they now?

- 11) Have you owned a working dog breed before and if so what was the breed? No
- 12) Have you ever attended a dog training class? What type of classes did you attend? N/A
- 13) Where will the puppy stay when left home alone? Guest bedroom
- 14) Is there someone at home during the day to care for the dog? I'm a comercial photographer and most of the time I work from my home studio (ocasionally I would do a photo shoot at a location).

If not, how long will the dog be alone and what arrangements will be made to feed and exercise your dog during this period?

In case I'd have to do a photo shoot at a location during the week (which does not happen often) the dog would stay home alone for 6-8 hours. If my photoshoot is on the weekend – then my husband would be home with the dog.

- 15) Do you intend to crate train your puppy? Yes
- 16) What do you plan to do with your dog when you are away from home overnight or go out of town? We would leave the dog with a friend
- 17) What areas of dog ownership are you interested in with this prospective puppy?
 - a) Companionship
 - b) Obedience
 - c) Agility
 - d) Showing (conformation)
 - e) Scent work
 - f) Other sports
- 18) Do you understand the costs of owning a dog and how much do you think you will spend a year on a dog? Yes, I understand there are costs involved.
- 19) Socialization is very important for this breed. Are you willing to take your puppy to a socialization class? Yes, I'm planning to sign up for a puppy training classes.
- 20) Are you willing to take a basic obedience class offered by a certified trainer belonging to a dog club (not a retail store) and send a copy of the certificate to the BSCNA, showing you and your puppy passed? Yes
- 21) If you are having a training problem with your puppy/dog how will you go about handling this situation? I would ask a dog trainer (I also have a friend who's a dog trainer) and other dog owners.
- 22) If you find your family needs to move do you plan to take your puppy with you? Yes
- 23) If <u>not</u> interested in breeding do you intend to spay/neuter your dog? Probably not
- 24) Are you willing to travel, possibly overseas, to get your puppy from its breeder? Not now

25) Do you understand the Bohemian Shepherd is a rare breed and the BSCNA encourages you to become involved in helping with the development of the breed here in North America? Yes

The BSCNA will contact you at least once a year for an update on how the puppy is doing mentally and physically? OK

Please add any other information about you or your family that you feel would help us understand the Bohemian Shepherd that would best suit your lifestyle:

Me and my husband are very acitve. I like to rund and would love to take a dog with me on a run from time to time. We both bike, kayak/swim, ski, hike, and camp a lot so it would be great to have a dog to do all of the activities with.

Note:

I already am on a waiting list to get a puppy from a breeder in Czech Republic (Lenka Frydrychová od Brány Ráje).