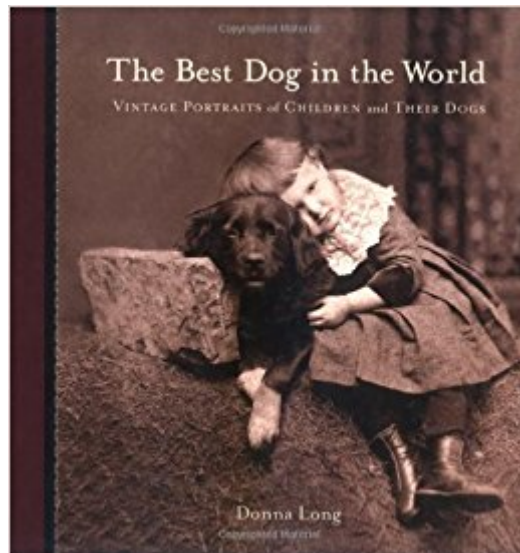


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# The Best Dog In The World: Vintage Portraits Of Children And Their Dogs



## Synopsis

The abiding trust, loyalty, and love between children and their dogs shine from the pages of this unique collection of antique and vintage photographs. Taken between 1875 and 1925, the charming mix of posed portraits and informal snapshots offers a poignant glimpse at childhood from a bygone era, while capturing the special character of these devoted canine companions. Whether hound or herding dog, terrier or toy breed, pampered purebred or motley mutt, these pages reveal the timeless truth that every little girl and boy's dog was the best dog in the world. Reviews "It may be the perfect gift for a Mom that loves dogs."-Milwaukee Journal Sentinel "Nothing short of endearing. I guarantee there'll be plenty of oohs and ahs with each turn of the page."-San Jose Mercury News

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## Customer Reviews

I picked up this book because of the irresistible cover photo of a little girl with her dog. It turns out practically every photo in the book is just as good. I'm not kidding, if you love dogs, you have to get this book. All the photos are of children from the turn of the century with their dogs. And it includes descriptions of the different breeds at that time and some historical information about the children. There are pit bulls, great danes, pugs, jack russells, retrievers and mutts, all with their child owners next to them. This really is an amazing collection and I can't imagine any dog lover not wanting a copy.

I got this book on the recommendation of a friend who also loves dogs and was not disappointed. The pictures are amazing! I also learned a few things about the background of some breeds I wasn't aware of and other tidbits like how to tell boys and girls apart in those vintage photos when they are all wearing "dresses". This book will stay permanently on my coffee table for visitors to see. I highly recommend it to anyone with a love of dogs, kids and history.

I saw this book in Seattle, WA where it was \$25. Almost got it but didn't have the money. I liked this book because in the day when people had pictures taken of them and their pets it was a big deal. I was amazed at how many pit bulls were in the book with babies and children, all part of the family. That's what a pit bull is, a family dog. I ordered it on for a much lower rate and use the book when I do humane education presentations in schools. The book is currently on my coffee table.

Ms. Long's daughter is in my class and so I got the opportunity to look at the book at length. The photographs are smile-inducing and original. Who can resist photographs of children with their dogs? But before you think its all about cute overload, let me say that the most interesting aspect of the book is actually the well researched text. It goes into the delineation of breeds and their uses without being overly verbose or scientific. A lot of the photographs have inscriptions on the back and those long forgotten letters are included. This is the true selling point of the book because it give you insight into the lives of these people and the their lives with their loved ones (both human and animal). A worthy buy for not only dog lovers but lovers of social history.

I came across this book while looking for a gift for a friend. I wasn't thinking to get a dog book, but after seeing the pictures and the interesting facts about the various breeds, I knew instantly this was the book to get. It makes a great gift for anyone who owns a dog or for someone who wants to experience the loving bond that children have with their dogs. Who can resist!

Donna Long captures the ageless affection between children and their dogs. This book offers a nostalgic trip back into a childhood when times were simpler, and in some ways perhaps better. Along with the nostalgia Ms. Long provides some interesting tidbits about dog breeds. Her book will be a treasure for all who shared their childhoods with their dogs.

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