



# Gompa Lhasa Apso

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## Preservation Program

## Introduction Letter

Thank you for your interest in opening your home and heart to a Gompa Lhasa Apso, and for your faith in the ability of the Gompa Lhasa Apso Preservation Program (the “Program” or GLAPP) to achieve its mission, objectives and goals. Please take time to carefully read the Contract, Participation Process, Participation Application and Release of Liability forms. We ask many questions, all of which will help us decide whether you will be a good candidate for participation in the Program and whether a puppy, a breeding dog or a retired dog would be best suited for your situation.

There's a waiting list of people wanting to participate by housing a dog. After the application process is complete, it is likely to be months or even years before a dog is available. If you're looking for a way to help in the meantime, you may want to consider participating as a Sponsor.

In order to accomplish the Program's mission, objectives and goals all Gompa dogs must participate in the breeding program. All dogs and progeny belong to the Program. All progeny are placed within the Program with each potential custodian going through the Participation Application process. A tax-deductible donation is required to help cover expenses within the Program, including microchips, DNA profiling and patella evaluation. It must be understood that luxating patellas and prolapsed third eye glands (“PTEG” or “cherry eye”) are issues being addressed within the Program, and that custodians assume responsibility for the dog's care for the rest of its life. This may include surgery to repair PTEG and luxating patellas.

Caring for a dog can be expensive and you must be prepared for the eventual aging of the dog. Lhasa Apsos can live well into the upper teens, and people who are not prepared to take care of the dog in its old age should not consider applying. We are looking for people who understand this is a commitment for the life of the animal ... however long that may be.

Thank you for your interest, time and patience in completing our forms. We look forward to working with you!