

McClelland Doodles

PUPPY FAVORITES

Products and resources we have found helpful while raising our puppies and dogs.

A quick note

These are simply products we have personally used, liked, or found useful over the years. Every puppy is different, so use what works best for your family. For medical, dietary, supplement, ear-care, or parasite-prevention questions, always follow your veterinarian's advice.

Tap any underlined link to open the product or resource.

Food & Feeding

VICTOR Sensitive Skin & Stomach Salmon Meal & Brown Rice

This is the food our puppies are eating when they go home. We have used VICTOR for years and like that it has worked well for our dogs at a reasonable price.

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Outward Hound Fun Feeder / Slow Feeder

A great option for puppies that tend to inhale their food. Slowing meals down can make feeding calmer and easier on their stomach.

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Digestive Support & Supplements

Firm Up Pumpkin

We like pumpkin for helping keep stools regular and firm, especially during transitions or mild tummy upset.

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Nutramax Probiotic Kit

One of our favorite things to keep on hand when a puppy has an upset stomach.

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Purina Pro Plan Veterinary Diets Digestive Product

Another digestive-support option we have found helpful for occasional tummy trouble.

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Nutri-Vet Fish Oil Softgels

We use fish oil daily with our own dogs and have had good results with overall skin, coat, and ear comfort. The omega-3 fatty acids EPA and DHA may help support a healthy inflammatory response and the skin's natural barrier, which can be especially helpful for dogs whose itchy ears are connected to dry or sensitive skin or allergies. It is not a treatment or guaranteed prevention for ear infections, but we have found it to be a helpful part of our everyday routine.

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Training Treats & Chews

Best Bully Sticks Odor-Free Angus Bully Sticks

A favorite during the teething stage. Having an appropriate chew nearby makes it easier to redirect a puppy away from hands, clothes, or furniture.

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West Paw Qwizl Treat-Dispensing Toy

A sturdy enrichment toy that can help hold chews and keep a puppy busy.

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Zuke's Mini Naturals Salmon Recipe

Small, soft treats that are easy to use for short puppy-training sessions.

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Wellness Soft Puppy Bites

Another soft training treat we like for young puppies.

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Arin's Good Girl Dog Treats

A dog-treat company we enjoy recommending because it also supports a wonderful cause.

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Bathing & Coat Care

Earthbath Ultra-Mild Wild Cherry - Product 1

A gentle Earthbath product we like for keeping puppies clean and fresh.

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Earthbath Ultra-Mild Wild Cherry - Product 2

Another product from the same gentle Wild Cherry line that we have used for puppy coat care.

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Earthbath Wild Cherry Puppy Spritz

Nice for freshening a puppy's coat between full baths.

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Cowboy Magic Rosewater Pet Shampoo

We like the Cowboy Magic line for older doodle coats, especially coats that are more prone to tangles and matting.

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Cowboy Magic Rosewater Pet Product

Another Cowboy Magic coat-care product we have found useful for doodle grooming.

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Cowboy Magic Detangler & Shine

Helpful for working through tangles and keeping longer doodle coats more manageable.

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Favorite Conditioner

A conditioner we especially like for leaving doodle coats soft and easier to manage.

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Brightening Shampoo

A shampoo we like for helping lighter areas of a doodle coat stay bright and clean-looking.

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Brushes, Combs & Drying

Favorite Doodle Brush

One of our go-to brushes for regular coat maintenance. Keeping up with brushing at home makes professional grooming much easier.

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Favorite Doodle Comb

A comb is important because it helps you check all the way down to the skin rather than only brushing the top of the coat.

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Safari De-Matting Dog Comb

Helpful for stubborn tangles or small mats. The teeth are sharp, so we recommend using it carefully.

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High-Velocity Dog Dryer

We recommend thoroughly blow-drying doodle coats after bathing rather than letting them air-dry, especially with curlier coats. A high-velocity dryer can make that much faster.

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Ear & Dental Care

EcoEars Dog Ear Cleaner

A handy ear cleaner to keep on hand because doodle ears can hold moisture and develop odor or buildup. Doodles can also be prone to itchy or sensitive ears. Along with keeping ears clean and dry, we have had good success using fish oil daily as part of our dogs' skin and coat routine. Omega-3s may support the skin barrier and a healthy inflammatory response, but they are not a cure or substitute for veterinary care when an infection is suspected.

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Miracle Care R-7 Ear Powder

Can make ear-hair maintenance easier for coats that grow a lot of hair inside the ears.

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Zymox Plus Advanced Formula

An ear-care product we have personally used. For redness, pain, discharge, persistent odor, or recurring problems, we recommend having your veterinarian examine the ears.

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WHIMZEES Alligator Dental Treats

A dental chew our dogs enjoy that can also help with routine teeth and breath care.

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Flea, Tick, Heartworm & Parasite Prevention

Seresto 8-Month Flea & Tick Collar

A flea-and-tick option we have used for years. We like that the collar can simply be removed if a dog does not tolerate it well.

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Interceptor Plus

A heartworm and parasite preventive we have used with our dogs. Your veterinarian can help decide whether it is the best option for your puppy.

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Sentinel

Another parasite-prevention option we have considered. We recommend discussing the best flea, tick, heartworm, and parasite plan with your veterinarian.

Collars, Harnesses & Leashes

Frisco Solid Nylon Dog Collar

A simple starter collar. Puppies grow quickly, so an extra-small size may only fit for a short time.

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Puppia Soft Dog Harness

A soft harness that works nicely for introducing a young puppy to leash walking.

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PetSafe Gentle Leader

A tool we like for older dogs that continue to pull or lunge once they are ready for that type of training aid.

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Max Neo Double-Handle Dog Leash

A six-foot leash is a useful everyday length for training, and the extra handle can give you more control when needed.

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Crates & Potty-Training Supplies

Frisco Fold & Carry Double-Door Dog Crate

We strongly recommend crate training. A crate with a divider can grow with your puppy and gives them a safe place to rest when you cannot supervise.

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Frisco Exercise Pen

A pen can be attached to the crate to create a larger safe area for young puppies during the early transition home.

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MidWest Snap'y Fit Stainless Steel Bowl

Attaches to a crate or pen, which helps keep a young puppy from tipping the water dish over.

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Additional Pen-Attaching Water Dish

Another attachable water-bowl option that can help keep the puppy area neater.

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Pee Pad Holder

This is the type of holder we use with pee pads for young puppies before they fully transition to outside potty training.

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Toys & Mental Enrichment

Nina Ottosson Puzzle Toy

Doodles are smart and can get bored easily. Puzzle toys are a great way to give them something constructive to think about.

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Outward Hound Hide-A-Squirrel

A fun interactive toy that encourages a puppy to sniff, search, and stay mentally engaged.

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Frisco Silicone Treat Lick Mat - 2 Pack

A simple enrichment option that can help keep puppies occupied and encourage calm licking.

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SmartPetLove Snuggle Puppy

One of our favorite transition items. The comfort of a Snuggle Puppy can be especially helpful during the first nights away from mom and littermates.

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Helpful Potty-Training Resources

AKC - How to Potty Train a Puppy

A straightforward house-training guide that can be helpful as you establish your puppy's routine.

[Read the guide](#)

Cesar's Way - Housebreaking

Another house-training resource families may find useful while establishing consistency.

[Read the guide](#)

WebMD - House Training Your Puppy

A general puppy house-training reference for families who want another step-by-step resource.

[Read the guide](#)

Additional Health & Nutrition Resources

FDA - Diet and Canine Dilated Cardiomyopathy

We share this FDA information so families can learn more about the potential connection between certain diets and canine dilated cardiomyopathy.

[Read FDA information](#)

FDA - Isoxazoline Flea & Tick Products

A useful FDA resource for learning more about potential adverse events associated with isoxazoline flea-and-tick products.

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