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Skijor With Your Dog: Second Edition



Synopsis

Skijoring, or being pulled on skis by a dog in harness, is a great sport in which almost everyone—and almost any breed of dog—can participate. It requires little beyond a pair of skis and a dog with a desire to pull. The second edition of this popular and practical guide to the sport covers what equipment is needed, how to teach a dog to pull, and how to work with your dog year-round. Although it is geared toward beginners, *Skijor with Your Dog* offers plenty of useful information for experienced skijorers as well, including racing tips, how to involve children, how to camp and travel with dogs, and how to train for competition. The book also covers canicross, bikejoring, and other ways to work with dogs when there's no snow. With this book in hand, readers will have all the information they need to begin enjoying the outdoors with their dogs in a whole new way.

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Customer Reviews

The 2nd edition of "Skijor with Your Dog" brings the book into the 21st century with the addition of dryland techniques and updated photos. One never stops learning in the sport of driving dogs and I can recommend this book to both novice and experienced skijorers alike. I personally know and admire both of the authors for their skill with, and innate understanding of sled dogs. I referred to the 1st edition of "Skijor with Your Dog" when I started skijoring and later was mentored by Mari Hoe-Raitto, which gave me the basis to develop a champion sprint sled dog team. Don't try to learn from your own mistakes - do right by your dog and buy this book!

As a newbie into this sport, I found this book to be very helpful in getting my dog and I started

skijoring and dry land mushing. With details for the person who wishes to aim at competing, or the recreational person who wishes to spend quality and engaging time with their dog, this book is a valuable asset.

I had never heard of Skijoring before this year and discovered there was very little literature out there on it. I discovered that is because this book is all that is needed. "Skijor with Your Dog" covered everything from picking a good pulling dog, equipment for you and the dog, other dog pulling activities and training and caring for the dog you have. I purchased the kindle edition and found it very convenient to be able to click on suggested web links to further enhance what this book offered. Best of all it works! After reading the book, I started training my two elkhounds. By next ski season, both theirs and my skills will be ready for public trails. I would not hesitate to recommend this book to anyone thinking about training their dog for recreational or competitive Dog Pulling sports.

Wonderful book to help both novice and expert alike. The authors share their love and expertise of the sport with the reader. First edition was a great book, and this edition has even more info. Wonderful new pics in this edition.

Great new edition, with terrific information about the sport. Written by experts in the field, and a well respected professional dog writer, this resource will get you and your dog started in a fun winter past time. I had a couple small nits/concerns with information that may not have been updated from the first edition. "Alpha roll" to teach a dog the human is in charge is not recommended (and in fact is not emphasized in the book, either--but is mentioned). Further, while many sled dogs are tethered as a means to keep them safe from wandering, that's not a technique recommended for pet dogs and may in fact be illegal so check your local ordinances. I loved the photos and the great illustrations that demonstrated equipment. This is an exhaustive book that will appeal to people curious out the sport as well as more experienced dog sports folks. The publisher provided me with a review copy of the book for an honest and unbiased review.

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