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#### With APBT Bulldogs you get what you pay for.

Regarding the price you pay.

#### Committing yourself - don't go into purchasing a dog blind.

These days ... you daily find <u>APBT Bulldog puppies for sale on Facebook posts</u> >>> "I am looking for an <u>APBT Bulldog puppy</u>" ... wait for it >>> here it comes >>> I only have R 800.00 - or whatever ridiculous offer.

So, the buyer dictated the price >>> by this enticing more and more backyard breeders to breed these unregistered pups for **"this"** market.

<u>Then again</u> >>> wait for it >>> here it comes >>> looking for an APBT Bulldog puppy in this town or that town, or in this city or province >>> not much to choose from then?

I suppose then "any pit-bull or pit-bull type will do (half fox terrier mutt will do as well) – but, if you as buyer or "real APBT Bulldog fancier" are <u>serious about "this breed"</u> and really looking for "the real deal" - "the real well-game bred registered pure bred APBT Bulldog ... from planed and selected sought after linage and from a performing proven pedigree ... then "any" pit-bull or pit-bull lookalike or type puppy <u>will not do</u>.

I like to believe that a "real passionate and serious **APBT Bulldog** owner or such an owner to first do their homework – careful

research - will be prepared to travel anywhere to see the breeders' dogs set up and pups.

Will study info given on a "real acknowledge APBT Bulldog breeder's website or have such a dog transported to them irrelevant of the costs – **because** >>> to get "that" pup or "that" sought after proven lineage dog of his dreams (is not just a pup).

I personally did so many a time – still do and when I really wanted a specific APBT Bulldog of "good breeding" that I want - then I will travel any distance at any costs without a moment of hesitation – because I know what I will be fetching.

That is if you realize the value of the breeding parents – bloodline and you intend to obtain such a pup.

More so, if one or both breeding dogs was a top line, show or game bred proven <u>APBT Bulldogs</u>, with awesome proven abilities or from such sought after Imported bloodline dog brought into South Africa.

**Just a bit of light on this subject** ...a sought-after direct offspring from such a sought-after world-renowned stud or dam dog will set you back R 70000.00 + or more.

Sought after APBT Bulldog pups in South Africa from a "good breeding" or from a dog parent's with earned proven working dog titles or specific bloodline - will not be offered at the ridiculous prices mentioned above – if they are offered to the public in the first place.

# A quick analysis on what you must budged for breeding dogs.

"Purchase price" of a relative "good breeding" pup in South Africa, with registration, "pedigree in hand", health clearance certified, sought after bloodline generation lineage, and proven working dog title linage anything up to R 25000.00 + - do your budgeting.

Then also calculate your traveling costs and on road costs - this will naturally not be included in offered price.

If not traveling by yourself - then you might add courier delivery cost of the pup to your door +- R3000.00.

Also, relatively -"not over the top" preparations costs for "this precious new pup" – then to have a dedicated kennel crate or sleeping area >>> with sleeping blankets or matrass and some specifically bought APBT Bulldog toys – water and eating bowl – a strong practical leach and collar for its age - with a bell on it? – some flea powder and a bag of 28% protein -"best" puppy commercial feed.

You will be looking at least at +- R 2500.00 (at this stage).

It is just normal that you want the best for **you puppy**.

If it is a Vet shop with all displayed puppy goodies – mmmmm ...

and your wife and kids are with you.... mmmmmm ... add another

R 800.00

## Then come the time for you to register your puppy as new the owner – on your name and address - this is optional.

Re registration if your puppy came with a breeder's litter registration pedigree still registered on the breeder's name. Re registration as the new owner of this dog with a "legitimate" APBT Bulldog registry will cost you R 250.00 + courier costs of the pedigree to your door (R 180.00) - then know that a microchip with registration will be needed at this time +- R250.00.

## Razing and managing your newly purchased APBT Bulldog pup or pups from +- 8 weeks old onwards.

Daily food & supplements (ask your vet or the breeder and daily feeding with a needed balanced feed will cost you a minimum R 500.00+ per month – that if you do not need to visit the vet.

Vet visits for 2 X follow up core vaccination @ R 750.00 each.

Vet visit for 12 – 16 weeks Rabies vaccination - free at the State vet or +- R 750.00 at the local vet.

Be ready for immediate and future worm control - worming follow ups at 2 weeks intervals up to 16 weeks at the vet +- R 250.00 each time.

Then to raise your pup to 2 years of age without Vet visiting or medical – will cost you +-R 900.00 per month - R 16200.00.

Looking at unfortunate vet visits and medical – it happens. For any other vet visit you can work on - R 750.00 minimum at

any one time – think of diarrhea and or other stomach – skin or teeth problems, tick fever – distemper also for any possible need to treat wounds from a yard accident. Off to the Vet you go.

Your first health checkup (normally required by the breeder – withing 3 days of arriving - R 750.00) and yearly health certification check-up +- R 750.00.

The first hip and joint certification at 12 months and again on 24 months – get a quote from your vet).

This to ensure breedings rights.

Then you might not need to see the Vet for any unforeseen medical or accidental emergency ... but just for example, in case needed treating Parvo - will set you back minimum R 8000.00 at any given time ... then not to say the dog will make it.

Then you did not take (if needed) kennel or yard or dog conditioning and management in consideration.

R ....?

Making your yard and kennel safe for your dog or dogs – fence or walling, gates, cameras etc. R.....?

Daily use of water and electricity – detergents etc., Yard or feeding bowls cleaning daily – mornings and evenings. Cleaning of the kennel yard ...; yep ... pick up the shit (and get rid of it) ...daily sleeping kennel – disinfectant.

Blankets (yep not blanket ... you lucky if they do not destroy a blanket).

Washing & disinfecting the blankets.

Managing fleas, flies, and rats. R .....?

The dog collar, leach, harness, swivels and or chain setup, R.....?

Many people tend to look for a quick fix or an easy way out, but being a dogman is a 24/7 job with no breaks, no sick days. There are no magic pills, supplements, or never-heard-of-before secrets that will magically clean your yard, feed your dogs, or get them in shape while you're busy sharing wisdom on social media! Don't be upset about the results you don't get with the work you don't do!

Not to mention ... you cannot just leave your dog at home go away for the weekend – also must have a stay-at-home holiday if you are a breeder or appoint a kennel manager >>>> R ????.

**Finally** ... suffer the wrath of your wife... giving more attention to the dog as to her – ha ha.

#### Dealing with neighbors.

Need I say more?

What then will be a reasonable offered price for a reasonable pure bred APBT Bulldog pup? R 800.00 – R 1500.00? R 3000.00 – R 8000.00+?

For top quality – R10000.00 –R 2500.00?

Unless you find a breeder not in it to make money from pups - a breeder with a vision to add to the gene pool for APBT Bulldog as his main objective.

Then if looking at top quality and pedigree performance ... more?

**Come on!** Just see what a <u>fluffy type</u> of lap dog pup are offered for ...R 8000.00 – R 10000.00 + each ... yep, no joke.

I have seen these questions asked ... as recently as yesterday.

What happens to the pups ... if you breed your dog? If you can't get a buyer?

What happens to the dog if you cannot afford to get or afford professional or medical help or feeding?

Any dog – especially an active working game bred dog like the APBT Bulldog is a responsibility, will be <u>your</u> responsibility >>> are you ready?

The fact of the matter >>> if you cannot afford to maintain a dog DON'T get one – more so an <u>APBT Bulldog</u> – then rather get a cat.

The truth of the matter is that in the world of "real <u>APBT</u> <u>Bulldogs</u> you get what you pay for" – then you can only know ... when the pup became adult.

This said ....at Manjaro's it will be because of the Manjaro dogs (a household name in **APBT Bulldogs in South Africa**).

We proudly offer high ability, inelegant, game bred workings dog pups, young dogs and or adult dogs - with their purebred status.

Our planned breeding style, with our proven selected quality family of dogs, we have and then because of our passion to pass these awesome "real game working dogs" on to the next generation and the opportunity to contribute to the **APBT Bulldogs** gene pool in South Africa.

So, call me a fool to offer Manjaro pups for a meager R 3500.00 – R5000.00 each (depending on the breeding dogs – a more than fare dog-man's price).

My purpose ... to fulfill Gen. 9/1.

# Tail end >>> my exact vehicle to fulfill this goal >>> as above. It was said by Jimmy Eaker >>> A foolish way of thinking?

There was a farmer who grew excellent quality corn.

Every year he won the award for the best grown corn.

One year a newspaper reporter interviewed him and learned something interesting about how he grew it.

The reporter discovered that the farmer shared **his seed corn** with his neighbors.

"How can you afford to share your best seed corn with your neighbors when they are entering corn in competition with yours each year?" the reporter asked.

"Why sir," said the farmer, "Didn't you know? The wind picks up pollen from the ripening corn and swirls it from field to field. If my neighbors grow inferior corn, cross-pollination will steadily degrade the quality of my corn.

If I am to grow good corn, I must help my neighbors grow good corn."

#### That's it - Gawie Manjaro - MK.

