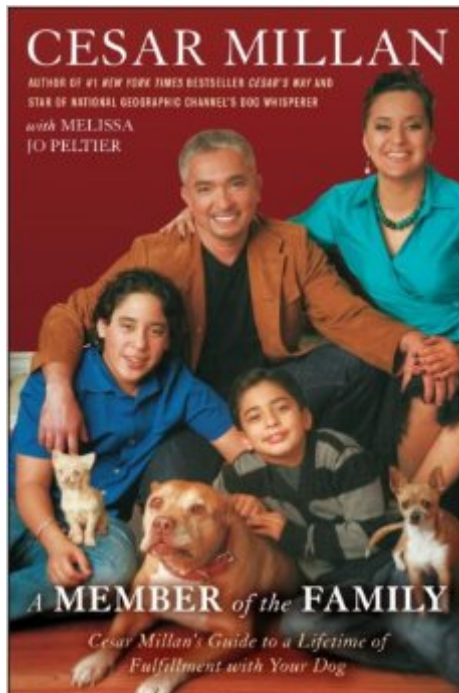


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A MEMBER Of The FAMILY: Cesar Millan's Guide To A Lifetime Of Fulfillment With Your Dog



Synopsis

Many of us think of our dogs not as pets but as full-fledged members of our families. If you own a dog or are thinking about getting one, *A Member of the Family* is the ultimate resource for integrating your canine companion into the life of your household. What should you do if you need to leave your dog alone at home while everyone is at work? Are you providing him with the exercise he needs? How can you make sure your children and dog get along well? How do events in the human family—such as birth, marriage, or divorce—affect the family dog? All of these questions and many more are answered by bestselling author Cesar Millan in his new book. Brimming with practical tips and techniques, *A Member of the Family* addresses the most common issues and questions that emerge over the course of a person's lifetime relationship with a dog, explaining what it takes to be a good dog owner. From choosing the right dog for your particular family's needs to setting the rules of the house (yes, you and your family are in charge) to finding a quality veterinarian and monitoring your dog's health, Cesar offers essential advice for a harmonious home. No topic is left untouched. With success stories from Cesar's fans and clients throughout, *A Member of the Family* includes sections on travel and doggie day care, the needs of an aging dog, and dealing with the death of a pet and its long-lasting effects on a family. A chapter on dogs and children is written from the perspective of Cesar's sons, Andre and Calvin, and one on the role of the strong female pack leader is by Cesar's wife, Ilusion. In his frank, simple, and calm manner, Cesar acts as your personal guide as you build a fulfilling, satisfying relationship with your dog.

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Customer Reviews

I received Cesar Millan's third book, "A Member of the Family" today. I have both of Cesar's other books, and figured by the third book it probably wouldn't be so great. Boy, was I mistaken!! I turned randomly to the chapter written by Ilusion Wilson Millan, Cesar's beautiful wife. I was instantly hooked, and could not put this book down. I then turned to the chapter Cesar wrote about his beloved sidekick, Daddy, the greatest representative of Pit Bull known to man. I know there are a lot of people whom I call "anti-Cesareans". These are people who dislike Cesar Millan because a) he doesn't have a degree and b) they (erroneously) believe he is cruel to dogs and c) they (erroneously) believe he is an illegal immigrant. For those anti-Cesareans, I have a message for you. READ THIS BOOK. You will find out about a man who has a deep and abiding love for dogs of all kinds, his family, his friends, and all human beings. Millan is a true specimen of humanity. The definition of "a good guy". After reading this book, there should be no doubt in ANYONE's mind that Cesar is uniquely qualified to work with problematic dogs as perhaps no one else in popular culture today. But what is most remarkable is his open-arms approach to other dog behaviorists (some of whom have degrees, some who may not), and his understanding that there is room enough in this crazy world of ours for everyone. There is time and space for every method of interaction with canines, as long as it does NOT harm the dog. That is what Cesar Millan stands for. I cannot stress enough (and for the bazillionth time!) Cesar Millan is not a dog trainer.

Cesar Millan's and Melissa Jo Peltier's latest book continues their line of smash hits in their canine ownership and dog psychology series. Coming out its first week as #8 on the New York Times Best Seller List, Cesar Millan and his faithful sidekick, Daddy, at the Dog Psychology Center of Los Angeles show that there is still so much America - and the rest of the world - have to learn from and about relating to Man's Best Friend: dog. This book, Millan's and Peltier's third collaboration, is a continuation of the ideas and concepts developed in Millan's other two books: *Cesar's Way: The Natural, Everyday Guide to Understanding and Correcting Common Dog Problems* and *Be the Pack Leader: Use Cesar's Way to Transform Your Dog . . . and Your Life*. However, in this book, each chapter provides a vignette or an insight into a cornerstone of family life, whereas the two prior books sought to lay out Cesar's fundamental theory and philosophies regarding canine psychology, ownership, and human (pack) leadership and how to use the triad of that philosophy to solve basic human-canine behavioral problems, such as pulling on the walk, chasing squirrels, and so forth, this book is wholly different. Here, Millan seeks to show how dogs influence everyday family interactions in both beneficial and detrimental ways, and how to change our human behaviors so our dogs understand that we human are the pack leaders (the building block of his philosophy) and that they

must follow us for guidance and direction.

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