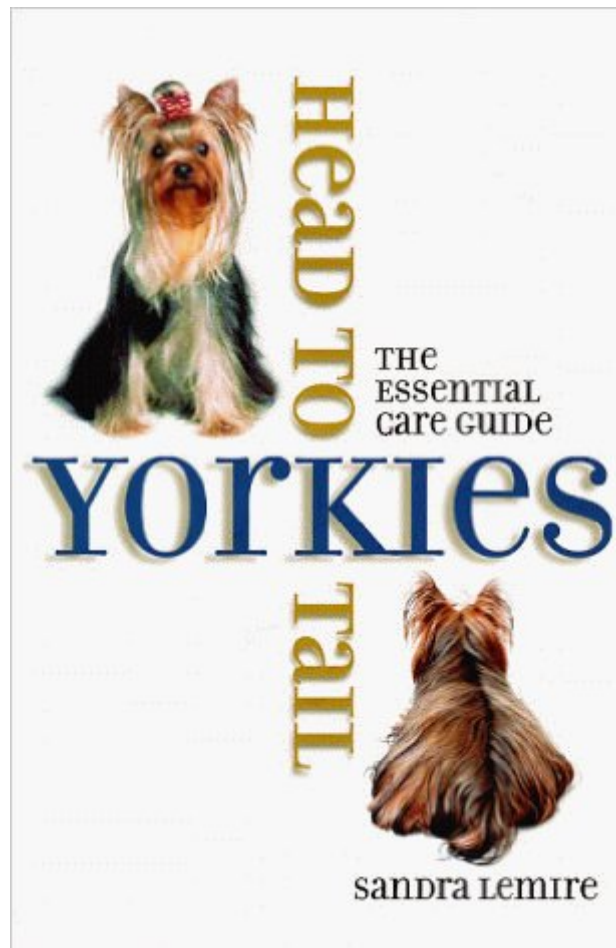


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Customer Reviews

All I can say is WOW! This is one of the most well-researched books I have ever bought on Yorkshire Terriers. I just finished reading a section on brushing your Yorkie's teeth! I learned the right way to get my dog used to it (luckily she is still a puppy and pretty agreeable to such stuff). I had heard that these dogs could be prone to teeth problems and reading Ms Lemire's section on caring for their teeth gave me hope that I could make sure that not only my dog's teeth were healthy, but my dog was healthy in general. And I LOVE the style this book is written in. It is friendly and approachable. I feel like I am talking to Ms Lemire and having a conversation about Yorkies where I get to ask all the questions I ever had. One more thing: the STORIES throughout the book are so WONDERFUL! What a nice touch that you don't get in most breed books. I highly recommend this book :)

As a Yorkie lover, I usually buy every book that comes out on Yorkies. When I got this book in the mail a few days ago, I was immediately impressed with the way it was put together and the quality of the information. This is really specific and addresses things I wish I had known when I first got my Yorkie (Clancey). There is an index, so it's really easy to find exactly what you are looking for and the whole book is easy to read and use. There are also wonderful, fun illustrations of Yorkies all throughout that just make Yorkies Head to Tail that much more appealing. I recommend this book for

ALL Yorkies lovers--new and veteran Yorkies owners alike!

Of all the Yorkshire Terrier books I have (and I have many) this is way out over and above every other book I've read on the breed. She doesn't bore you with pictures of champions, history of the breed, showing and shows yada-yada-yada. Nor does she insert a general care and feeding section. She writes ONLY about the care of our Yorkies. There's great detail about traveling with a Yorkie, feeding, grooming, training, choosing a Vet, finding your Yorkie and preparing for him/her, emergencies, health care and diseases all just for the Yorkie and a beautifully written chapter on saying goodbye to a beloved pet. She sprinkles each chapter with anecdotes of her experience and those of others. This book will really teach you how to care for your Yorkie better than you have if you already have one or prepares a person to be a happy owner with a contented pup if you're contemplating purchasing one. If there were more stars available I'd give them to Sandra Lemire for an outstanding bit of writing!

THIS BOOK IS THE ONLY BOOK I HAVE EVER READ THAT CAPTURES THE TRUE CHARACTER OF THE YORKIE. BESIDES BEING PACKED WITH PRACTICAL INFORMATION, IT REALLY GETS INTO THE MIND SET OF THIS MARVELOUS LITTLE DOG. I HAVE OFTEN WONDERED IF OTHER PEOPLE HAVE SEEN WHAT I HAVE SEEN WITH THESE LITTLE WONDERS, NOW I KNOW THAT THEY HAVE. THE LITTLE STORIES ENCLOSED ARE EXPERIENCES WE, AS OWNERS OF A YORKIE, HAVE ALL GONE THROUGH AT ONE TIME OR ANOTHER. THEY MAY MAKE YOU CRY, BUT THEY REMIND YOU OF ONE OF YOUR "BABIES". AFTER WRITING THIS REVIEW I AM IMMEDIATELY GOING ON TO ORDER THREE MORE COPIES FOR THREE OF MY FRIENDS. IN MY OPINION I COULDN'T GIVE THEM A BETTER GIFT.

Like other folks who have been "yorked", I buy every thing I can get my hands on about yorkies. I think this is the best of them. It is the most practical and inclusive. I like the cautionary aspect of this book; too many gloss over the fact that these are tiny dogs and with that goes some degree of delicacy. This is the one book I give friends who get yorkies. I highly recommend it.

Wonderful book that, as other readers point out, talks about dog care uniquely yorkie, rather than general dog info w/ cute fotos. I only wish Lemire had spent a little more time talking about potty training; could use more tips geared specifically to the needs/habits of such a wee bladder. Also

more tips on general training; the capabilities of the Yorkshire Terrier, relative to other dogs. And, while I'm glad to know all the things to watch out for, such as the propensity for these little dogs to launch themselves into space, the litany of Yorkie injuries was a times overwhelming. This one broke her pelvis, that one his hip, this one his neck, etc. But overall the book's a great service. Thanks to Lemire.

I would have given this book 5 stars were it not for all the "doom and gloom" sidebars about the numerous horrible things that happened to various Yorkies--usually at the hand of their owners. I am researching this breed in the hopes of buying a puppy and I found this book very intimidating and discouraging at times due to all these gloomy references. Having talked to many Yorkie owners/breeders, I don't get the impression that these dogs are as fragile and picky as portrayed in this book. Negatives aside, this book seems to outline very clearly the most important details and caveats that really set the Yorkies apart from other breeds. For that, I am thankful.

I enjoyed the yorkie-specific information in this book and the anecdotes throughout book make it better than the average yorkie care guide. I have two issues with the book however. The first is the font. The font is a typewriter type, making the book feel sophomoric. The other issue is the tone of the book. If read by someone with no knowledge of yorkies they would extrapolate from all her warnings that yorkies are timid and fragile and need coddling...but that is far from the truth. For example, she recommends extreme caution in interactions between yorkies and other dogs in such a way that might make owner afraid to let their yorkie play with other dogs, instead of letting them explore and be dogs.

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