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# My Research With Wolfdogs



**A big big thank you!**

*To my enigmatic Canadian mentor, guarding his empathetic spirit from the hive mind. May your anonymity be your shield and your wisdom our guiding star.*

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It's no secret in the dog training community that I took a long break from working with clients and their dogs to do my own study and research on wolves in relation to latent work. Now I am here to share my newfound wisdom with you all! You see, my friends, I took a little detour in my life to study wolves and wolfdogs. Why, you might ask? Well, let me tell you a little story...

Once upon a time, in an industry where dog training reigned supreme, I stumbled upon a creature that bewitched me - a wolfdog! Half dog, half wolf, and 100% majestic! I thought to myself, "Tony, old boy, there's more to life than just dog training. Let's dive into the wild world of canines and unravel their mysteries." And so, my friends, I began my grand adventure.

I ventured into the great outdoors, where I immersed myself in the ways of wolves and wolfdogs. I wanted to understand their behavior and instincts, hoping that it would help me become a better canine behaviorist. Oh, and what an adventure it was! I lived among these fascinating creatures, learning the delicate art of howling at the moon. Awooooo!

You see, I quickly discovered that there's something magical about wolfdogs. They're like the lovechild of Lassie and Mufasa, with a touch of teenage rebellion. Living with these creatures taught me that our fluffy, tail-wagging friends are more than just pets. They're a window into the wild world our ancestors once inhabited, the world where we shared our caves with wolves, and where we depended on each other for survival.

But how did this journey help me become a better canine behaviorist, you ask? Well, my friends, it's simple. By understanding the inherent instincts and behaviors of wolves and wolfdogs, I gained valuable insights into the canine mind. It's like I became a doggy psychologist, able to decipher their deepest thoughts and desires. "No, Fido, you cannot chew on that priceless Picasso. Let's work on natural enrichment instead!"

In my new role as a canine "Behavi", I began to apply these insights to help dog owners better understand and communicate with their furry companions. I specialized in working with wolfdogs, those majestic creatures that still carry a wild spark within their eyes. And let me tell you, my friends, it's been a rollercoaster ride!

I found that many wolfdog owners were struggling to understand their pets, often dealing with what they mistakenly believed was a mix of dog-like behaviors and wild wolf instincts. But fear not, for I, Tony Nila, had the answers! With my extensive wolfdog knowledge, I was able to guide these owners through the challenges of living with a wolfdog. We tackled

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everything from potty training to leash etiquette, always with a healthy dose of laughter, of course!

You see, I learned that the key to helping dog owners, especially those with wolfdogs, is to appreciate the beauty of their DNA heritage. It's not about taming the wolf within, but rather learning to embrace and understand it. Just like in comedy, timing and communication are everything in raising a wolfdog. And when you raise any puppy, well, let's just say you better be on your toes!

You'll need to surround yourself with people who are knowledgeable about these magnificent animals, such as fellow wolfdog owners with good experience, wildlife biologists or a professional from [WolfdogBehaviorist.com](http://WolfdogBehaviorist.com). Trust me, you'll need someone to lean on when your wolfdog decides that your living room is the perfect place for a game of "Dig to China" or "Chew the Couch Olympics."

Now, let's talk about the neighbors. You know, those lovely folks who live next door and may or may not appreciate the howling symphony your wolfdog will produce at the most inopportune times. You'll want to ensure that your neighbors are on board with your decision to own a wolfdog, or at least educate them about what to expect. Because let's face it, nobody wants to be that neighbor with the exotic pet that keeps everyone up at night.

As a wolfdog owner, you'll also need to be an advocate for your animal. There's a lot of misinformation and fear surrounding wolfdogs, especially on the internet! so it's up to you to educate others about their true nature. Share your knowledge, dispel myths, and help build a better understanding of these incredible creatures. After all, with great power (and a wolfdog) comes great responsibility!

Owning a wolfdog isn't for the faint of heart for the weekend warrior. It's a full-time, lifelong commitment that requires a tremendous amount of dedication, patience, and understanding. But if you're up for the challenge, you'll be rewarded with an extraordinary bond and a deeper understanding of the wild world of *Canis lupus*.

Owning a wolfdog is not for everyone, just like owning an Afghan Hound is not for everyone and it's essential to carefully consider whether you're prepared for the challenges and joys that come with sharing your life with one of these incredible animals. If you have done your breed research and decide that a wolfdog is right for you, be prepared to dedicate yourself fully to their care, training, and wellbeing. And remember, as a wolfdog owner, you'll be part

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of a unique and passionate community of individuals who share a love for these extraordinary creatures.

Now, what exactly is a wolfdog, you may ask? A wolfdog is a cross between a domestic dog (*Canis lupus familiaris*) and a wolf (*Canis lupus*). And while they boast both dog and wolf ancestry, they're not considered a separate species. No, siree! Wolfdogs belong to the same genus as our beloved Fido – *Canis lupus familiaris*. However, due to their mixed heritage, these furry friends may have characteristics and behaviors that differ significantly from your well bred dog, depending on what the breeder focused on in their breeding plan. And that, my dear audience, is where the adventure truly begins.

Before we delve deeper into the wolfdog world, let me share a bit about the American Wolfdog, a high-content wolfdog with gray wolf ancestry. If you're searching for a breeder in the United States or Canada, be prepared for a journey filled with twists and turns, as genuine breeders are few and far between, and con artists lurk around every corner. You'll need patience, persistence, and a keen eye to find a reputable breeder who's willing to sell you one of these magnificent animals. And even then, it might take a year of relationship building before they consider you a worthy candidate for wolfdog ownership.

Now, onto the question of wolf content, is more really better? Believe it or not, the higher the content and the more generations of proper breeding, the easier it is to predict and manage these wondrous creatures. But before you commit to a wolfdog, make sure you're familiar with state and local regulations, as some areas require permits or ban wolfdogs altogether. It's not because they're hybrids – it's just breed regulation, like those governing our misunderstood Pitbull friends.

Let's clear up some misconceptions right off the bat, wolfdogs are not dangerous, and not all wolfdogs are technically hybrids nor are they wild wolves. They're multigenerational wolfdogs, classified as domestic animals under Federal US Code 9 CFR Section 1.1 Definition. Dogs are considered a subspecies of the gray wolf – *Canis lupus familiaris* – and wolfdogs are, well, dogs! This includes breeds like the German Shepherd, which was once called the Alsatian Wolf Dog before the British Kennel Club removed the “wolf” from its name.

Poorly bred Wolfdogs are typically shy and self-protective creatures. However, with proper breeding and care, they can become quite gregarious and “pet-like” in their behavior. They're not like other breeds – they're not devoted to their owners, nor are they bold or aggressive. Instead, they'll retreat from anything they perceive as scary, even other people. They may

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look intimidating, but they're anything but. In fact, a wolfdog is the worst kind of security dog you could find.

It's important to understand that wild wolves do not make good pets, in fact it's illegal to own a wild wolf, and even high-content domestic wolfdogs are usually high-maintenance, and demanding animals. Many people think they want a wolfdog, but once they realize the effort required to properly care for one, they change their minds. If you're looking for a wolfdog to serve as a guard dog, you'll be sorely disappointed. Wolfdogs are intense in their actions, communication, and desires, and they're not a good fit for a typical family that does not understand their characteristics. If poorly bred they don't act like a well-bred breed; they require significantly more time and effort than your average pooch.

Wolfdogs are aloof and self-sufficient, but with careful and persistent handling, they can be raised to live happily among us humans. As a result, you should set reasonable goals for your wolfdog companion. Beware, though, wolfdogs have a reputation for being quite destructive! They may or may not want to be inside, but when they are, like any dog with poor training they'll often wreak havoc on your furniture, flooring, and other belongings. Wolfdogs are not house hounds who can be left alone, and they should always be supervised indoors.

In addition, wolfdogs require a spacious outdoor area to call their own, something we call a freedom area here at [WolfdogBehaviorist.com](http://WolfdogBehaviorist.com). They're not suitable for children or the elderly, as their large size and overexcited nature can inadvertently cause harm. While they are affectionate, they're not patient and gentle family dogs. Instead, they resemble a hyperactive, giant puppy.

Owning a wolfdog can be quite costly. A high-content wolfdog with "documented pedigree and health testing" may cost anywhere from \$3,500 to \$5,000 at the time of this article's publication.

Many Wolfdog owners build an enclosure for their wolfdogs that can set you back another \$8,500 to \$15,500. However, our research here at [WolfdogBehaviorist.com](http://WolfdogBehaviorist.com) has shown that long periods of time in this type of environment causes aberrant behavior that is difficult to correct, this is no different than a small escape proof yard that many dog owners use which also causes behavior issues and destructive habits.

They also require a specific diet that includes raw meals consisting of meat, bones, and organs in balanced proportions. Wolfdogs are not casual pets, even with their most minimal requirements.



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Wolfdogs character traits can be hypersensitive. Their interactions, responses, and behaviors are all far more theatrical than those of a typical breed. This includes “scary” behaviors like resource guarding.

Many wolfdogs are rehomed or taken to shelters when they are no longer easy or convenient to care for, usually after they’ve outgrown their puppyhood.

So, before you decide to bring a wolfdog into your life, please be aware of the challenges these dogs face and the long-term commitment you’ll be making. Only a small percentage of people have the relevant experience to successfully own a wolfdog. You’ll need the necessary knowledge, facilities, and unwavering patience and determination to make it work.

If you’re still interested in learning more about wolfdog ownership, there are regular workshops and seminars for prospective wolfdog owners, as well as continuing education for dog trainers here at the [WolfDogBehaviorist.com](http://WolfDogBehaviorist.com). As a canine behaviorist, I am well-known in wolfdog circles worldwide and online. So, I can assist you with any behavior or diet counseling you may need.

There are many benefits to owning a wolfdog; they will teach you a great deal about yourself as well as canine culture in general. They’re incredibly intelligent and loyal! In fact, one of the most challenging aspects of rehoming wolfdogs is that they remain devoted to their previous owner and find it extremely difficult to trust a new owner throughout their lives. You must be certain that if you decide to keep a wolfdog, you will commit to that animal because rehoming them is incredibly difficult. It’s hard for them to be removed from what they consider their lifelong pack and home territory, they struggle to understand why they’re in a new environment. As a result, they suffer even when they’ve been rehomed to a loving home.

So, if wolfdogs are dogs, why are they so difficult to train and control? Breeding plays a significant role in this. Domestic dogs have been selectively bred for thousands of years for specific traits, such as hunting, herding, guarding, or companionship. Wolves, on the other hand, have evolved naturally over the years, with their traits geared towards survival in the wild.

Wolfdogs possess both domestic and wild traits, which can result in a confusing mix of behaviors. They can be incredibly intelligent, like a wolf, but also stubborn and independent, making them more challenging to train than a well bred domestic dog.

For example, a wolfdog might become anxious or aggressive when faced with new environments or unfamiliar people, much like a wolf might in the wild. At the same time, they

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may display domestic dog traits such as a desire for human companionship or playfulness. This combination of traits can make wolfdogs a handful to deal with, especially for inexperienced owners.

To properly train and socialize a wolfdog, you must be patient and persistent. A deep understanding of their unique needs are essential. Keep in mind that not all wolfdogs are the same – their behavior and temperament can vary widely depending on their genetics, upbringing, and environment. It's crucial to take the time to understand your individual wolfdog and adopt a more cognitive approach when working with them.

When it comes to exercise, wolfdogs have an abundance of energy, and they require plenty of physical and mental stimulation to remain healthy and happy. This includes daily walks, playtime, and training sessions to keep them engaged and active. Additionally, providing a secure and spacious freedom area where they can run at full speed, explore, and dig can help them release their pent-up energy.

In summary, wolfdogs are a unique and challenging breed that requires dedicated and experienced owners. They're not for everyone, and they demand an immense amount of time, patience, and resources. Before committing to a wolfdog, it's essential to do thorough research, understand the potential challenges, and be prepared for a lifelong commitment. Wolfdogs can be incredibly rewarding companions for the right person, but they're not suitable for every household or lifestyle.

These majestic creatures, with their mix of wild and domestic traits, have captured our hearts and minds like no other breed. But as with any great adventure, it's important to remember that the challenges are just as significant as the rewards. So, before you embark on your wolfdog odyssey, ensure you're well-equipped, well-informed, and ready for the rollercoaster ride of a lifetime!

Now, I don't want to brag, but my time studying wolves and wolfdogs has given me a unique edge in the dog training world. I mean, how many dog trainers can say they've howled with a pack of wolves and wolfdogs? It's like being a canine guru, able to bridge the gap between the domestic and the wild.

So, my friends, as you embark on your own journeys with your four-legged companions, remember this, it's not just about obedience and tricks. It's about understanding the heart and soul of these magnificent creatures, appreciating their wild roots, and learning to laugh

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along the way. For in the end, isn't that what life's all about - laughter, love, and a little bit of wild adventure?

In my quest for knowledge, I also discovered the importance of sharing my insights and laughter with fellow dog owners and trainers alike. Because, as we all know, laughter is the best medicine, even when dealing with a stubborn wolfdog who refuses to sit on command.

As I continued my journey, I began to teach seminars and workshops, spreading the gospel of wolf wisdom and canine comedy. People flocked from far and wide to learn the secrets of wolfdog training, eager to unlock the mysteries of their enigmatic pets. And, oh, what a sight it was to see a room full of people laughing and learning, all brought together by their love for these extraordinary creatures.

In these seminars, we tackled a variety of topics, from understanding wolfdog body language to managing prey drive. But no matter the subject, laughter was always at the heart of our sessions. After all, who says learning can't be fun? With my unique blend of humor and expertise, I made sure that every owner left with a smile on their face and a newfound appreciation for their wolfdog's wild spirit.

Of course, there were challenges along the way. Not every wolfdog is a willing participant in a training session, and some days, it felt like I was trying to teach a cat to fetch! But with patience, persistence, and a hearty dose of laughter, even the most stubborn wolfdog could learn to live harmoniously in your home.

My friends, the lessons I learned from wolves and wolfdogs have transformed not only my approach to dog training but also my outlook on life itself. By embracing the wild spirit within these magnificent animals, I've come to appreciate the importance of balance, harmony, and the power of laughter. Life is a delicate dance between order and chaos, and it's up to us to find the joy in every step.

So, as you venture forth into the world with your canine companions, remember to keep your hearts open, your minds curious, and your sense of humor sharp. For it is through laughter, love, and understanding that we can forge a bond with our pets that transcends species and connects us to the wild world from which we all emerged.

In conclusion, my dear friends, I hope that my tale of transformation and adventure has inspired you to embrace the wild spirit within yourselves and your pets. Remember to always approach life and dog training with a sense of humor, and never be afraid to howl at the moon, for it is in these moments of joy and laughter that we truly come alive.



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And with that, my friends, we've reached the end of this thrilling journey into the world of wolfdogs. Here's to you and your future wolfdog adventures. May you find joy, wisdom, and an unbreakable bond with these remarkable creatures, and may you always remember the lessons they teach us about the wonders of the natural world. Until we meet again, happy trails, and Godspeed!

Thank you, and may your days be filled with wagging tails and wet noses!

Remember, folks, the next time you find yourself facing off with a wolfdog, just channel your inner child, and let the laughter begin!

## **What is it like to live with a wolfdog?'**

Let's dive into the nitty-gritty details of what it really takes to own a wolfdog. So, buckle up, and let's jump into the wolfdog rollercoaster ride!

First off, you've got to have the right mindset. Wolfdogs are like a fusion of a canine and a feral feline. They've got the mysterious charm of a cat and the wild spirit of a wolf. You need to have the persistence of a marathon runner and the adaptability of a chameleon, because these critters will put you through your paces. Owning a wolfdog is not for the faint of heart or the commitment-phobic, my friends!

Now, when it comes to your living arrangements, you need the space of a small country, or at least a backyard the size of a football field. These magnificent beasts need room to roam, frolic, and chase squirrels to their heart's content. A tiny city apartment just won't cut it. Picture trying to fit an elephant into a Mini Cooper, and you'll get the idea!

The freedom area for your wolfdog should be large enough that they can run at a full sprint, because these Houdinis of the dog world are escape artists par excellence if they feel they have to earn their freedom. They can jump, dig, and climb like nobody's business. Don't forget about the digging deterrents to keep the sides of your house safe!

When it comes to feeding, you're going to need to channel your inner chef, because these furry gourmands require a balanced raw diet. You'll be dicing, slicing, and mixing meats, organs, and bones like a culinary maestro. Forget the kibble; these guys need a diet that would make a gourmet restaurant envious. And don't worry, you'll soon become an expert on the various cuts of meat, as well as the latest sales at your local butcher shop.

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My program of raising a wolfdog is crucial for these majestic creatures. These are not your typical “sit, stay, roll over” kind of dogs. Oh no, they demand creativity and patience in spades! You’ll need to invest in a wolfdog-savvy trainer who can guide you through the intricacies of helping your wolfdog become a well-mannered member of society.

If you’re lucky enough to befriend a wolfdog, you’ll find that they’re more like companions than pets. They’re fiercely loyal, intelligent, and independent. But don’t expect them to be your own personal bodyguard; they’re more likely to run for the hills than protect your home from intruders. They have a natural wariness that makes them terrible guard dogs but fascinating partners in life.

Now, here’s a little-known fact, wolfdogs are the ultimate recyclers! If you’re not careful, they’ll repurpose your favorite shoes, couch cushions, or even walls into their own personal chew toys. Invest in some heavy-duty natural chewing enrichment butcher bones, and you’ll save yourself a fortune in home repairs and replacement furniture.

Wolfdogs can be great with children, but they need supervision and guidance. They’re big, exuberant animals who can accidentally knock over a small child or elderly family member. It’s important to teach your wolfdog gentle play and respect for all members of the family.

So, my fabulous future wolfdog owners, now that we’ve embarked on this wild journey, let me continue to enlighten you with the essential information you need to properly care for these awe-inspiring creatures. Buckle up, because we’re about to dive into the nitty-gritty world of wolfdog ownership!

Now, you might be wondering about climate control. Well, these magnificent creatures are built to withstand a wide range of temperatures. But if you live in an area that’s hotter than the Sahara or colder than the North Pole, you’ll want to provide a climate-controlled space for them to retreat to. After all, no one likes sweaty paws or frozen whiskers, right?

When it comes to feeding your wolfdog, you can forget about kibble. You’ll need to channel your inner hunter and provide them with a raw diet that mimics what their wild counterparts would eat. Think raw meat, bones, organs, and even some fruit and veggies. You know, it’s like shopping at the farmer’s market for your pet. But please, for the love of all that’s furry, do your research and consult with a nutrition expert to ensure your wolfdog gets the right balance of nutrients.

Regarding veterinarians, you’ll need to find one that’s familiar with the special needs of wolfdogs. Trust me; you don’t want to roll up to your local vet’s office with your wolfdog only

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to have them run away in terror. It's essential to have a knowledgeable vet on your side, as they can help guide you through the unique health challenges that wolfdogs might face.

As I mentioned earlier, these animals are not your everyday lap dogs. They require a tremendous amount of mental and physical stimulation to stay happy and healthy. Think of it as a full-time job to keep your wolfdog entertained. You'll need to provide daily exercise, playtime, and mental challenges to keep them engaged. Wolfdogs love to explore and problem-solve, so get creative with your activities. Just don't be surprised if they outsmart you from time to time – they're brilliant, after all!

Now, let's talk about socialization, because this is a biggie. If you want your wolfdog to be a well-adjusted member of society, you'll need to ignore most internet advice regarding socialization, exposing them to as many different sights, sounds, and experiences as possible while they're in their fear period. Our program will help educate you regarding common myths and misconceptions of socialization.

And that brings me to training. You might be thinking, "Tony, I've trained dogs before. How hard can it be?" Well, my friends, training a wolfdog is like trying to teach a fish to ride a bicycle. It's a whole different ball game. Wolfdogs are incredibly intelligent, but they're also independent thinkers. You'll need to dig deep into your bag of tricks and use shaping and latent techniques while capitalizing on their innate and inherent behaviors to teach them the ropes. Patience, persistence, and a good sense of humor are key!

I can't stress enough the importance of having a strong support system when you own a wolfdog. You'll need to surround yourself with people who are knowledgeable about these magnificent animals, such as fellow wolfdog owners, trainers, and experts. Trust me, you'll need someone to lean on when your wolfdog decides that your living room is the perfect place for a game of "Dig to China" or "Chew the Couch Olympics."

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Before I wrap up this wild and wonderful article, let me leave you with a few parting thoughts. Owning a wolfdog is not for everyone, and it's essential to carefully consider whether you're prepared for the challenges and joys that come with sharing your life with one of these incredible animals. If you decide that a wolfdog is right for you, be prepared to dedicate yourself fully to their care, training, and wellbeing. And remember, as a wolfdog owner, you'll be part of a unique and passionate community of individuals who share a love for these extraordinary creatures.

So, my fellow dog lovers and aspiring wolfdog owners, I hope this article has given you a glimpse into the wild and wacky world of wolfdog ownership. Thank you for joining me on this rollercoaster ride through the land of lupine wonders. May your days be filled with howls of laughter and the joy of sharing your life with these truly remarkable animals. And remember, no matter how wild your wolfdog may be, at the end of the day, they're still man's best friend.

## **Would You Like To Work With Tony Nila?**

**In our Training Program, we distinguish ourselves with a unique approach rooted in science-based psychology theories and traditional wisdom. Our methods do not rely on operant conditioning like positive reinforcement or training tools, often used by conventional trainers.**

**Instead, we base our methods on shaping innate behaviors, free-shaping, and latent learning.**

**Shaping innate behaviors means we work with your dog's natural instincts rather than against them. By understanding and addressing the root causes of your dog's behavior, we can guide them towards more desirable actions.**

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Free-shaping involves rewarding incremental steps towards a target behavior, facilitating your dog's understanding of what is expected from them. This approach is non-coercive and allows the dog to make choices and learn from them.

Latent learning strategies, instead of operant conditioning methods where actions are learned through direct reinforcement or punishment. In latent learning, dogs acquire new behaviors or skills without immediate demonstration of these learned behaviors. They are then able to apply this learned knowledge when a relevant situation arises. This allows dogs to learn in a low-stress environment at their own pace, which can lead to more profound and lasting behavioral changes.

The application of these concepts differentiates us from trainers who primarily use operant conditioning techniques, which can sometimes lead to increased anxiety in dogs.

When you choose our Program, you're not just signing up for a training service, but embarking on a holistic journey for your dog's overall well-being.

We also understand that a dog's behavior is influenced by a myriad of factors beyond just training. Therefore, our services extend far beyond typical training sessions. Our comprehensive subscription service includes a range of supports designed to ensure you and your dog have everything you need for success.

Our service includes:

\* In-home coaching as needed:

*When you're feeling stumped, we'll send in the cavalry! Our trusty trainer will swoop in to provide extra in-home coaching, tackling those pesky behavior issues head-on.*

\*Custom weekly Zoom sessions:

To address any challenges or questions that may arise, we offer weekly Zoom sessions and phone access to me, Tony Nila. These sessions provide ongoing support and allow us to modify the training plan as needed to best fit your dog's progress.

\*A private Facebook support group:

*We also offer a private Chico Facebook support group where you can connect with other program participants, share your experiences, and learn from each other.*

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**\*Access to a canine nutritionist:**

*One unique feature is our access to a canine nutritionist. A dog's diet significantly impacts their health, energy levels, and consequently, their behavior. Our nutritionist provides guidance on how to support your dog's overall well-being through proper nutrition. This holistic focus on overall health is rare in the dog training world but is a cornerstone of our approach.*

**\*Live online group classes:**

*Moreover, our program emphasizes the importance of community through live online group classes. These classes allow you to learn from others facing similar challenges and provide an opportunity to practice newly learned skills in a supportive and controlled environment.*

Our unique approach, grounded in the understanding of a dog's innate behaviors, combined with our holistic support services, makes our Program an exceptional choice for dog owners.

This tailored and all-encompassing approach will help you navigate the challenges of dog training, fostering a healthier and happier relationship with your canine companion.

Understanding and shaping a dog's innate behavior is a key focus. Unlike many trainers who may work against the grain of a dog's natural instincts, we believe that the most effective training stems from working with these instincts.

By respecting and leveraging their inherent behaviors, we can guide them towards actions that are compatible with co-existing harmoniously in a human world.

Our use of free-shaping techniques allows dogs to feel safe and relaxed during training sessions. Rather than using potentially stressful command-based methods, we reward dogs as they independently make progress towards the desired behaviors. This autonomy fosters confidence in dogs as they feel in control of their actions and see that their choices can lead to positive outcomes.

In conclusion, Tony Nila offers a scientifically-backed, empathetic, and holistic approach to dog behavior modification. Our unique methodology, comprehensive support services, and



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focus on community learning make us an exceptional choice for dog owners. We look forward to guiding you and your dog towards a happier and healthier relationship.

This program is designed to provide ongoing support and guidance over a period of several months, depending on your dogs' individual needs. The cost is \$495 per month, and you can cancel at any time if you feel that the program is no longer necessary.

If you're interested in learning more about the subscription service or would like to schedule an initial consultation, please click the below link:

<https://dogbehavior.as.me/schedule.php>

In order to give dog owners a thorough understanding of dog behavior, this curriculum incorporates the most reliable science based psychology theories. Here, science and tradition combine to create a dog training experience that is incredibly rich.

With the aid of this program, you will be better able to comprehend the special issues that your dog faces and follow a path toward developing a personalized training regimen for them. We can assist you in creating a training style that leads you out of confusion and into clarity by fusing the greatest elements of one-on-one mentoring, group training programs, and online coaching. You will discover the full truth about the drawbacks and benefits of contemporary dog training.

Our training program begins in the security and comfort of your home before introducing you progressively to a group setting where you and your dog can hone your abilities. Your dog will learn to remain calm and content despite everything the outside world may throw at them.

This approach is founded on a precise, impartial grasp of contemporary dog training, and we emphasize positive training techniques that promote shaping innate behaviors, free-shaping, and Latent Learning.

Along with studying under an award-winning dog behaviorist, you will also interact with other students in the classroom and have the chance to impart your knowledge. It often takes a village to raise a child.

