Middle Tennessee Pomskies

Puppy Shopping List

<u>Food</u>: Your puppy is currently eating Diamond Naturals small breed puppy Food

(https://www.amazon.com/Diamond-Naturals-Recipe-Protein
Specific/dp/B000WFLWD2/ref=sr 1 15?crid=2W7KOCIGYLNJP&keywords=diamond+naturals+dog+food

&qid=1569814098&sprefix=diamond+%2Caps%2C193&sr=8-15). We suggest that when switching

your puppy to a new food that you choose a Grain Free puppy food.

<u>Bed</u>: Small or medium size crate with a divider for when they are smaller (this is if you are crate training your dog) - If you don't want to go this route, make sure you have a way to contain your dog when you aren't home.

Bedding: Whatever you want to use, keep in mind that puppies like to chew and what you get might become a big chew toy! You can also use towels that are easier to wash if there is an accident.

<u>Treats:</u> Pupperoni treats, broken into small pieces, Oinkies (pig skin twists), Beef or pork chips, etc. They also LOVE ice cubes! Try to stay away from rawhide chews, they aren't good for dogs and can upset their digestive systems.

<u>Toys:</u> At this age, think of small toys, the size of cat toys. Little stuffed toys, balls, squeaky toys, etc. Anything too big will just overwhelm the puppy.

Potty Training: We have a lot of owners that have "bell trained" their puppies. You can get a bell that attaches to your door and train the dog to ring the bell when he/she needs to go outside (many Pomsky owners are having good luck with this system). If you choose not to do the bell system, that is ok too. We recommend doing timed feedings with the puppy twice a day to start off. Select a time in the morning and afternoon/evening when you can place their bowl of food down for 20 min. Make sure to limit their distractions during this time. Once the time is up you pick up their food. This will teach them to be on a schedule so that you can monitor when they need to go potty as well as teach them that you are their alpha (master).

<u>Miscellaneous</u>: Collar/Harness - Most likely size small/x small; Leash; Plastic crate for car; Bowls for food and water; "Nature's Miracle" enzyme spray for accidents - get it at any pet store, it is AMAZING! Baby Wipes - to clean puppy in case of a mess, puppy shampoo (you can also use tear free baby shampoo)

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Car Pick-Up/Trip Packing List

Things that I would recommend for a puppy that is being picked up or going on a long carride:

Plastic crate or a rubbermade tote to ride in

Small baggie of food

Food and water bowls

A few toys

A few bottles of water for portability

Collar and leash

Treats (not too many in the car though, don't want her to get sick;)

Stack of puppy pads – line bottom of crate or tote with pads, that way if there is a mess, it is easily disposed of

Clorox or Lysol wipes - in case of a mess in the car

Paper towels - again, for a mess - you can't be too prepared!

Plastic store bags - for easy disposal

Small bottle of "Nature's Miracle" - helps get smells out if there is an accident

Baby Wipes - to clean puppy in case of a mess