

Spirit Min Pins

Spirit Min Pins is all about Miniature Pinschers.



About Us

We want to concentrate on one type of breed and learn all we can about them. We want to produce a healthy happy Miniature Pinscher as a family pet or in the show ring that fits the standard of the breed.

Spirit Min Pins is located in beautiful St. Clair County, MI. We have 20 acres of cleared and wooded land for our dogs and ourselves to enjoy. Our home is 3 stories, with many areas set up just for the dogs but with the whole house catered to dogs and their comfort and health. We enjoy some wonderful weather in the summer but have lots of snow in the winter. Here in Michigan, the saying is, "if you don't like the weather, wait an hour, and it will change".

We actively show in AKC shows with our Rosie. This is still a learning experience for us but we are enjoying every minute of it doing it our self with some help from some wonderful experienced mentors of the breed. With the acceptance of the blue Miniature Pinscher in UKC, we hope to also be showing there as well, with some of our dogs becoming dual registered with AKC and UKC. We do not have puppies available to the public at all times.



Back 4 Acres of our land
(taken by airplane)



Rosie's First Ribbon



We only breed a few litters a year, adding quality lines when ever possible to improve on the quality of our puppies and dogs in our breeding program. We do not have puppies available to the public at all times. We feel that having too many puppies at one time does not give the puppies the time and love they need. So we have one to two litters at a time to ensure that the puppies get our full attention, love and care. Raising healthy, happy puppies is a time consuming venture and we feel you can't do that with 3 and 4 litters on the ground. We do have a waiting list set up and our puppies are normally spoken for at an early age. We're very selective in our breeding program and our puppies leave us on limited registration for their protection. We rarely sell to breeders, unless we personally know you and you have excellent references.

All our puppies are raised in our home. They are whelped in a huge Doberman sized crate with bedding in our living room where we can watch them constantly. This is only a few feet from our bedroom so we can also check on them during the night if needed. The puppies are given the best possible care that we can. Our vet is wonderful and on call if we should need him in an emergency. All our dogs, including our puppies when old enough, receive a daily vitamin in addition to their dog food and many treats.



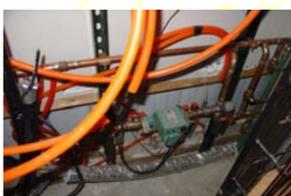
Birthing Cage



Potty Cage & Potty Pan

We also have pee pads located in many places around our house for the convenience of our dogs to relieve themselves. We put them in large crates or large plastic doggie litter pans, so there is the extra protection of the pan and its sides to protect our flooring as well as being able to shut the door on the crates until the puppy potties and we then praise them for doing a good job! Our weather sometimes is not appropriate to be taking young puppies outside to potty and have found that this method works for us. We realize accidents happen, so we also have a couple of handy dandy steam cleaners nearby for immediate clean up in those situations.

To comply with our state, county and township regulations we had to construct a kennel building for our dogs. While we we're not happy with having to do this, we went above and beyond the requirements to ensure our dogs were healthy and happy. We are allowed a limited number in the house, so we rotate the dogs to ensure everyone gets "house" time.



Radiant Heat

Our kennel has heated floors for the winter, ceiling fans, and screen windows for the summer. Each run has access to an outside run 24/7 for fresh air and exercise. We also have a large fenced in area surrounding the kennel that the dogs are turned out to play and run with each other for awhile (Weather permitting, remember we are in Michigan).

Each run has an electric heating pad bed and a platform for each dog to lie on. Our regulation's do not allow for us to put in boxes with bedding so this is what we came up with to give them comfort. The kennel has a 6 foot over hang, over the outside runs to try and keep as much as snow and rain out of the runs as possible. Unfortunately, the part away from the overhang does still get wet when snow and ice melts down and drips into the run, but there is still enough dry room for the dogs to enjoy.



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The kennel has its own hot water heater and sinks for washing the bowls etc. It is also heated in addition to the floors that we mentioned earlier. We've done everything we can to try and ensure our dog's happiness and health in the kennel or in our home. If you have any questions, please contact us and we'd be glad to answer you. We also ship, weather permitting and home visits are by appointment only.

Our doggies have a large play area so they can run and play in. They get to romp and play during the time we are out with them. The kennel area is tree lined as it has several uses. It is a sound barrier, and to shade the dogs during the summer, as well as a wind break during the winter. The trees are mostly 30 to 40 year old Pine trees, with some maple and elm trees mixed in. We have plans this summer to upgrade this area to include a new layer of grass as well as putting in a picnic type table and chairs.

