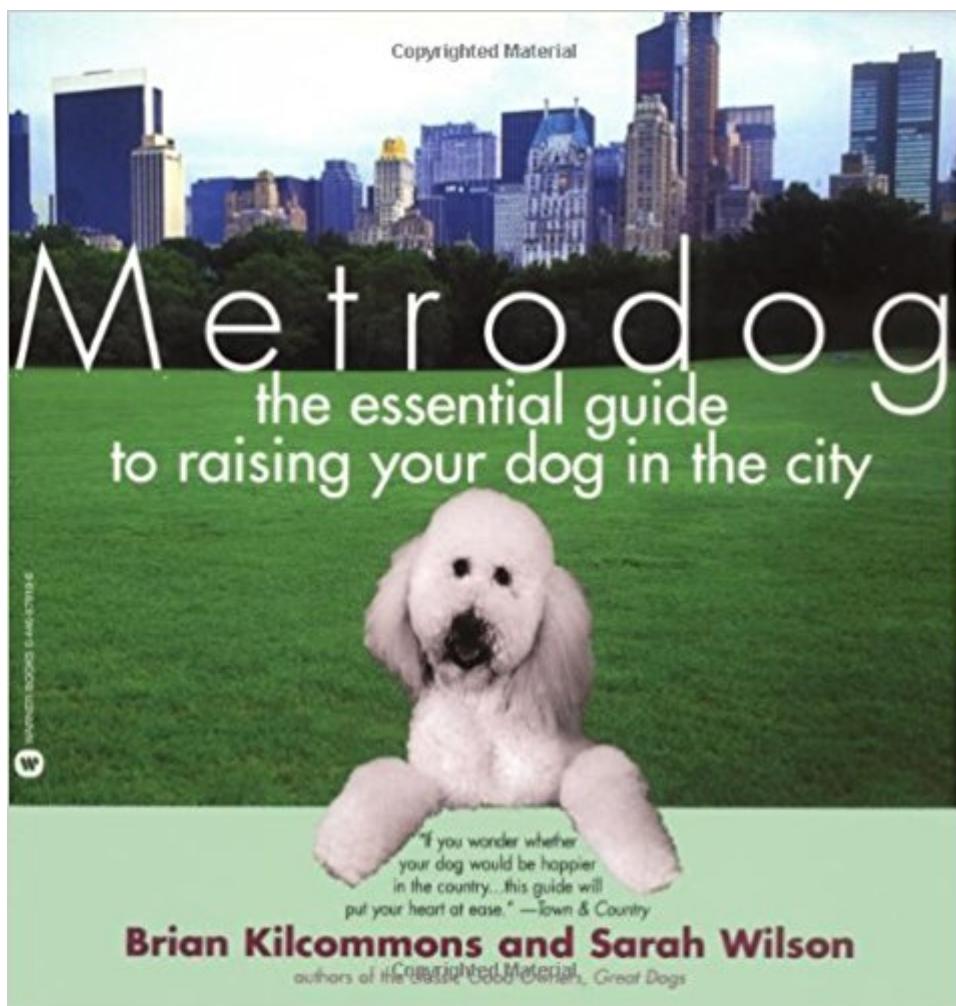


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# **Metrodog: The Essential Guide To Raising Your Dog In The City**



## Synopsis

Now in paperback is America's most loved dog trainers' essential guide to raising a happy, well-behaved, and well-adjusted dog in the city. The authors tell urban dog owners how to do everything from housebreaking puppies to preventing them from barking in thin-walled studio apartments.

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## Customer Reviews

Brian Kilcommons and Sarah Wilson live in Gardiner, New York.

Thanks to this wonderful informative book, my dog and I have made a safe and happy transition from country woods to city streets without a problem. I loved the advice on elevator manners, taking taxis with your dog, behavior in stores and park, and the "distance down." Not only is this book filled with helpful advice for raising a dog in the city, it is chock full of wonderful training advice for every dog everywhere. I highly recommend it. Thank you Sarah and Brian, for this wonderful book, and thank you for your wonderful message board at [greatpets.com](http://greatpets.com)

What really made this book special is the amount of original information and advice. It has great sections like helping your dog transition from rural to city life, which I loved.

As a professional trainer living near Seattle I can't tell you what a gift this book is! And with rural

areas becoming more crowded and "city" like it can be for every dog or anyone like me that travel with their dog. I live in the country, but my dogs are "city savvy" and so can all dogs with the help of this book. I am also a therapy dog specialist and I volunteer with my dogs at hospitals and a new program called Reading With Rover at the King County Library in Bothell Washington. Anyone wanting to do therapy dog work should get Metro Dog as it's great advice for any dog and for those who want to volunteer with their dog in therapy work this book will get you and your dog going in the right direction. The format of the book is easy, the wording is totally practical and any novice dog owner will appreciate this book and they should keep it by their nightstand. As with Kilcommons and Wilson's other books it's flare for humor and common sense advice is much appreciated. As anyone with a dog knows you have to have a sense of humor and the right attitude and this book will help you find it! I'm only sorry I can rate this book with five stars as it deserves a 10!

Starting out with a new puppy can be daunting enough if you have a lovely, private backyard. When you're twenty stories above the new pup's "toilet" area, it can be frustrating, exhausting, confusing, messy, and did I mention frustrating? In their new book "Metrodog" Brian Kilcommons and Sarah Wilson guide the dog owner through every aspect of living happily with a dog in any city on this planet. The information provided spans the life of a dog in the city, from puppyhood right on through adulthood. Worried about leaving your dog home alone? Don't, because Metrodog has tons of information that will keep your dog safe and happy at home. Afraid to take your dog to one of the city's public dog runs? Don't be! Reading Metrodog, you'll feel as though you've had a private tour of the busiest city dog runs. You'll be forearmed with tips that will help your dog and you fit in. Dog training books can be dry. Not this one. It is such an easy read, enjoyable and with personal stories about the authors' dogs and real-life Metrodogs they've known. And, it is full of concrete information and facts, breed specific, age specific guidance and tons of photographs illustrating the prose. Another dog book that won't just end up on my bookshelf. Metrodog is staying right out by my telephone for those emergency call I get from new dog owners who can't figure out how to get their puppy into the elevator, or back upstairs after their walk!

But particularly helpful for those of us who take on the highly rewarding challenge of sharing our busy city lives with a canine companion. It may just make you want to grab your dog and move to the big city! Useful for ALL dog owners and a NECESSITY for urban dog owners. Great photographs. Accessible to the average dog owner but with interesting, unique information for

seasoned dog-lovers. I am a HUGE MetroDog fan. There's advice in there that I've NEVER seen anywhere else, and I have 2+ shelves worth of dog books in my house. Nowhere else discusses how to secure your dog safely while you grab a cup of coffee, or how to hail a cab with your dog, for example. One of the most \*practical\* books - and not just for city dwellers. Suburbanites without fenced yards or even just full-time workers will find much useful info.

Those who own a dog and live in a city have a whole new different set of obstacles to overcome. First of all, if one is an apartment dweller, you will probably have very thin walls, with neighbours above, beside and/or below you. "Rover's" barking is not going to make you a popular tenant at the crack of dawn if, in fact, your landlord even permits pets in the first place. Then, there is the housebreaking chore, particularly if you live in a highrise and work for much of the day. Most cities also have those wonderful "pooper-scooper laws" so Rover is also restricted as to where he can do his duty even if he can be walked in the great outdoors. Unlike the country dog, freedom and space for the city dog to "do his own thing" are greatly limited. The authors have written a great book filled with tips to make city living much easier for you and your canine friend. Much of what is written here may appear to be basic common sense, but there are a number of tips that will prove to be very helpful and the book is well worth reading. If what you learn makes Rover's life easier, your life will be less stressful as well.

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