

Weimaraner Club of America Position Statement on Cross-Breeding

The Weimaraner Club of America is against the deliberate crossing of a Weimaraner with any other breed. Crossbreds are a deliberate attempt to mislead the public with the idea that there is an advantage to a designer dog. The crossbred dogs are prone to all the genetic diseases of both breeds and offer none of the advantages that owning a purebred dog has to offer. A purebred Weimaraner offers to his owner that he will be a specific color, shape, size and temperament.

The predictability of a breed comes from selection for traits that are desirable and away from traits that are undesirable. When a breed standard or type is set, the animals within that breed have less heterozygosity than do animals in a random population. A Weimaraner crossbred with any other breed is nothing more than a mongrel. Because the genetic makeup is diverse, the resultant first generation offspring is a complete genetic gamble. The dog may be any color, size, coat texture and temperament.

The Weimaraner Club of America is dedicated to preserving the original breed function, as well as protecting the welfare and health of the Weimaraner Breed.

“Weimaraner’s remain one of the breeds characterized by a specific color; the unique silvergray color is the hallmark of the Weimaraner in all other countries and evidence of its ancient origin. The Weimaraner Club of America has every right, indeed a responsibility to discourage the breeding of Weimaraner’s that are not of the typical traditional color.” <quoted from Weimaraner Ways>

References:

[Tracing the origin of 'blue Weimaraner' dogs by molecular genetics](#)

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