



EAR CROPPING STYLES

by Breed

Different breeds have different ear crop styles that are more commonly requested. Below are the crop styles that I typically perform for each group of breeds.



OUR COMMITMENT

We are committed to providing safe, high-quality care and supporting you through every step of the healing process.

Your pet. Our priority.



DANES, DOBERMANS, AND BOXERS:

- The crops I typically do on Danes, Dobermans, and Boxers vary between long crops, show crops, showable pet crops, and medium crops/working crops.
- The long crops and show crops are taller and more narrow at the base of the ear, and should be done under 10 weeks of age or under 20lbs (younger, around 6 weeks of age and 8 lbs heals the fastest with minimal months of aftercare).
- The showable pet crop is a touch shorter, and is the most often requested ear, with a slightly wider base/bell. This ear is easier to stand and often requires 6-8 weeks of postoperative taping/posting.
- The medium / working crop is a very practical ear, and is becoming more popular again. A medium length ear, with a slightly larger round shaped bell, which makes it an easier ear to stand.
- A short, or military crop is a crop we do not perform here at our clinic, as we do not believe there are any medical benefits for these breeds.
- The short / military crop is currently very out of style, and my least favorite and/or requested. A short length ear with often a very wide bell, is by far the easiest to stand but the least requested.



PIT BULLS, STAFFORDSHIRE TERRIERS, GIANT SCHNAUZERS, BOUVIERS, BEAUCERONS, BRUSSELS GRIFFONS, MINIATURE PINSCHERS, BOSTON TERRIERS, AND CANE CORSO'S:

- The crops I typically do on this group of breeds vary between show crops, showable pet crops, and medium crops/ short working crops.
- The show crops are taller and more narrow at the base of the ear, and should be done under 10 weeks of age or under 30lbs (younger, around 6 weeks of age and 8 lbs heals the fastest with minimal months of aftercare).
- The showable pet crop is a touch shorter, and is the most often requested ear, with a slightly wider base/bell. This ear is easier to stand and often requires 6-8 weeks of postoperative taping/posting.
- The medium / short working crop is a very practical ear, and is becoming more popular again. A medium to medium short length ear, with a slightly larger round shaped bell, which makes it an easier ear to stand.
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AMERICAN BULLY (NANO, MICRO, POCKET, STANDARD, XL AND ANY VARIETY OF EXTREME), MINIATURE SCHNAUZERS, FRENCHIE BULLS, AND MASTIFFS:

- The crops I typically do on this group of breeds vary between show crops and medium/ short crops.
- The show crops are slightly taller and more narrow at the base of the ear, and should be done under 12 weeks of age or under 20lbs (younger, around 8 weeks of age and 8 lbs heals the fastest with minimal months of aftercare).
- The medium / short working crop is a very practical ear, and is becoming more popular again. A medium to medium short length ear, with a slightly larger round shaped bell, which makes it an easier ear to stand.
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IMPORTANT REMINDERS



- Ear cropping should always be performed by an experienced veterinarian under general anesthesia.
- Proper aftercare and posting are essential for the best cosmetic results.
- Every puppy heals differently; following all instructions carefully is key to success.

QUESTIONS?



We're here to help.
Contact us anytime with questions or concerns during your puppy's recovery.

