

# Training Equipment Favorites

THE TOOLS I TRUST • VETTED FOR SAFETY, QUALITY, AND PRACTICALITY



## Tools that actually hold up.

I put together this list to make your training journey a little easier. Everything on it reflects my own preferences as a trainer: items I have vetted for safety, quality, and practicality. Most of these you won't find at your local pet store, especially the leashes and collars. What's available in stores tends to prioritize looks over function and is rarely professional grade. These are the tools that hold up, and that your dog will respond well to.

### My full Amazon list

Training tools and equipment, toys, feeding supplies, and more, all in one place.

[Open the Les Pawtounes Amazon list](#) ›

### Please note

These are personal recommendations only. I am not affiliated with these brands (unless a discount code is noted) and assume no liability for the purchase or use of any item on this list. Use your judgment, and reach out if you have questions about what is appropriate for your dog.

## MY GO-TO LEASHES & HARNESS

### Biothane leash | NotSoStandard

My pick for most dogs. Waterproof, easy to clean, and built to last.

[View on Etsy](#) ›

### Multi-way leash | Evergreen Dog Co.

Handmade in the USA with best-in-class hardware and a beautiful color range. The multi-way BioThane leash converts to six different leashes.

[View at evergreendogco.com](#) ›

### Small dogs: micro slip lead | Paracord Gear by That Decoy Chick

Handmade to order in your choice of color. Ask for the 4-foot length.

[View at paracordgearbytdc.com](#) ›

### Small dogs: Petite Collection | Adventure Hound Unlimited

[View the Petite Collection](#) ›

### Hands-free | Ruffwear Crag Dog Leash

Reflective everyday 6-foot lead.

[View on Amazon](#) ›

### Harness

[View on Amazon](#) ›

## MY GO-TO COLLARS

### Martingale

Also great for small dogs: the Little Howler 1/2-inch martingale.

[View on Amazon](#) ›

### Wide martingale | Alpine Dog Co.

2-inch webbing martingale.

[View at alpinedogco.ca](#) ›

### Flat or martingale | Gray and Hound

Handmade in Oregon. The canvas doesn't stretch, the colors and prints don't fade, and the hardware is genuinely strong: I have never had one release or break open. That matters more than people realize. Standard width for most dogs; 1.5" for stronger dogs, long necks, or short coats.

[View at grayandhound.com](#) ›

### Micro prongs | Kimberland

When recommended as part of a training plan, this is the brand I trust. Handcrafted in the USA from stainless steel, available in micro sizes up to large breeds, and built to communicate clearly without excess force. Sizing matters: always check their fitting chart and reach out with questions.

**Use code LESPWTOUNES10 for a discount.**

[View at kimberlandcollars.com](#) ›

## TETHERS & RAISED BEDS

### Tether

Always supervise when using a tether.

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### Elevated bed | Kuranda aluminum

Aircraft-grade aluminum frame, chew-proof design, easy to hose clean, and rated for dogs up to 250 lbs. Used in kennels and shelters for good reason.

[View at kuranda.com](#) ›

## MY GO-TO CRATES

### For the car | RuffLand Performance Kennels

One-piece roto-molded construction with no seams or hardware to fail, flexible walls that absorb impact, and easy to clean.

[View at rufflandkennels.com](#) ›

### For the home | Impact Dog Crates

My pick for dogs with escape tendencies or separation anxiety. Heavy-duty aluminum with a lifetime warranty. The High Anxiety model includes a lifetime dog damage guarantee: if your dog breaks it, they replace it.

[View at impactdogcrates.com](#) ›

## MY CHEW RECOMMENDATIONS

### Chew guide

Chewing is one of the most underused tools for mental exercise and dental health. My separate guide covers my favorite chews, how to use them, and where to find them.

[Read the chew guide](#) ›

## QUESTIONS?

If you have questions about what makes sense for your dog specifically, just reach out.

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