

PROFILE

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Kennel Prefix: Namilanga's

Country: Austria

I am addicted to the Ridgeback breed since 1992. It was love at first sight. After a long period of strict investigations Mavunguela's Nanganura moved in. She was my beloved companion for almost 14 years.

My love for the breed grew stronger and I started my kennel Namilanga's in 1998. I raised two litters and kept Namilanga's Naldani from my first and Namilanga's Out of Africa Themba from my second litter. My principal aim for breeding was to maintain the physical and mental characteristics of the breed. Temperament was always first consideration. I bred for sound temperament, good health and true to type exterior.

Though I am unfortunately not sharing my life with a dog right now I am still deeply devoted to the breed. In 2005 I have been approved to award Challenge Certificates and judge Rhodesian Ridgebacks. Since 2009 I am authorized to judge International Dog Shows as well. By now I am entitled to award titles and challenge certificates for the following breeds: Dalmatian Dog, Dogo Argentino, Bullmastiff and Cane Corso. I have been honoured to judge several Specialities, Club Shows and International Dog Shows in Germany, Austria, Switzerland, Denmark, Slovakia, Czech Republic and Slovenia.

My profession is Office Administrator. Besides photography has always been a great passion of mine. My focus is on animal photography. True to the motto do it with passion or not at all I spend my time off either with cynology or photography.

When judging the breed, I would like to see a very well balanced, agile dog, with strong bone and muscles. I love watching the balanced, free, active stride required by our breed as an endurance hound. I expect a temperament that is self-assured, alert and curious. While judging the individual dog I even concentrate on details as excellent feet, typical head with either feminine or male expression and eye colour that meets the colour of the coat.

I would like to thank you for the honour of being invited to judge the Club Show in Slovakia.

Yours sincerely,

Elisabeth Hammerschmid