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FREE GUIDE

Guard dog guide for a Kathmandu home

Breeds, costs, training time and the rules in Kathmandu.
From the K9 trainers at Supreme Pet Home, Kapan.

6 breeds

compared for Kathmandu

Monthly costs

food, vet, training

KMC rules

register, lead, fines

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Before you buy: 5 questions

A guard dog is a 10 to 12 year job. Answer these before you choose a breed.

- ✔ **Wall and gate.** Does your home have a wall and a gate a dog cannot jump or squeeze through?
- ✔ **Daytime.** Who is home during the day? A dog left alone for 10 hours a day guards nothing and learns to bark at everything.
- ✔ **Family and visitors.** Do children, guests or workers come to the house? A guard dog needs rules for each of them.
- ✔ **Time.** Do you have 1 to 2 hours a day for walks, training and play?
- ✔ **Money.** Can you pay every month for food, vaccines, a vet and training? See page 5.

If any answer is no, start with a watch dog, or talk to a trainer before you buy.

Watch dog, guard dog, protection dog

Type	What it does	Training
Watch dog	Barks when someone comes to the gate. Most dogs do this.	House rules and obedience
Guard dog	Watches the gate and the compound, warns, and holds strangers back until you come.	Obedience first, then guard training with a professional
Protection dog	Protects a person on command and stops on command ("out").	Only with a professional handler, for a dog over 18 months with a stable temper. Never train bite work at home.

BREEDS

Six breeds for a Kathmandu home

Kathmandu summers reach about 30 °C, the monsoon brings rain, mud and ticks, and winter nights go near 0 °C. Most homes have a compound, not a farm. These breeds can guard in that setting.

Breed	Adult weight	Kathmandu weather	With family	Training	Puppy price in Nepal
German Shepherd	30–40 kg	Copes. Brush the coat every week.	Good, with training	Learns fast; needs a daily job	Rs 15,000–95,000
Rottweiler	35–60 kg	Copes. Shade in summer.	Good, with a calm, firm owner	Socialise early	Rs 25,000–120,000
Doberman	30–45 kg	Short coat. A bed indoors on cold nights.	Good, with training	Learns fast; sensitive	Rs 20,000–90,000
Belgian Malinois	20–30 kg	Copes.	For owners with dog experience	Needs work every day	Rs 70,000–150,000
Tibetan Mastiff	35–70 kg	Thick coat. Suffers in summer heat and the monsoon.	Independent; wary of strangers	Hard to train	Rs 150,000–350,000
Himalayan Sheepdog (Bhote kukur)	30–45 kg	Thick coat. Needs shade and space.	Loyal to family; reserved with strangers	Independent; socialise early	Rs 10,000–35,000

Huskies and Labradors are popular in Kathmandu, but they greet strangers: they make watch dogs, not guard dogs.

Puppy prices: what sellers asked, checked 5 October 2026 at PriceInNepal, Indreni Pet Zone and ImNepal; the Tibetan Mastiff from 1 source. Prices change. Ask for the parents' papers and the puppy's vaccine card.

Choosing a puppy

- ✔ Meet the mother, and the father if you can. Calm, confident parents give calm, confident puppies.
- ✔ Take a puppy at 8 weeks or older, with its first vaccines written on a card.
- ✔ Choose the puppy that comes to you and recovers from a loud noise in a few seconds. Skip the one that hides, and the one that bites hard.
- ✔ Ask a vet to check the puppy within 3 days of bringing it home.
- ✔ Buy from a breeder you can visit, not from a photo on social media.

Training time line

Age	What to teach	Who
8–16 weeks	Name, toilet, house rules, handling, meeting people, scooters and other dogs	You
3–8 months	Sit, down, stay, come when called, walking on a loose lead, calm at the gate. Puppy class from 3 months.	You, with a trainer
From 8 months	Guard work: alert, hold the gate, stop on command. Our K9 programme takes 12–16 weeks: 4 weeks of obedience, 3 of alert work, 3–7 of guard and patrol work, and 2 of handover.	A K9 trainer
Over 18 months	Protection training, only for a dog with a stable temper	A professional handler
Every year	A refresher: obedience with distractions	You and the trainer

A guard dog that does not stop on command is a danger to your own family. Obedience comes first, every time.

COSTS

What a guard dog costs each month

For a 30–40 kg dog. Food is the largest cost.

Item	Cost	Note
Dry food, about 12–15 kg a month	Rs 3,000–4,500 (Drools) to Rs 15,000–22,500 (Royal Canin large breed)	Kathmandu retail, 2026: Rs 250–300 a kg and Rs 1,250–1,500 a kg
Rabies and DHPPi vaccines	Ask your vet	Once a year after the puppy course. Keep the card.
Deworming, tick and flea treatment	Ask your vet	Every 3 months. Ticks rise in the monsoon.
Groom, 25 kg and over	Rs 2,000 at Supreme Pet Home	Every 8 to 12 weeks for shedding coats
Training	Rs 1,500 a session at Supreme Pet Home; guard dog training from Rs 60,000	Starts with a Rs 1,500 assessment
A stay when you travel	from Rs 1,200 a night at Supreme Pet Home, with food	Book early for Dashain and Tihar

Rules and safety in Kathmandu

- ✔ Register your dog at your ward office. Kathmandu Metropolitan City asks owners to register pet dogs.
- ✔ Keep the rabies vaccine in date every year, and keep the card.
- ✔ Keep your dog on a lead in public. KMC fines owners up to Rs 5,000 for a dog loose in public or for fouling (2024). Pick up the waste.
- ✔ Put a "Dog on guard" sign on the gate.
- ✔ Never leave a guard dog alone with children or visitors.
- ✔ Keep your dog away from street dogs: fights spread injury and disease.
- ✔ Summer: shade and water all day. Monsoon: check for ticks every evening.

Rules change. Check with your ward office. This guide is general information, not legal or veterinary advice.

CHECKLIST

Before the puppy comes home

- ✓ Check the wall and the gate for gaps a puppy can squeeze through.
- ✓ Choose a vet near you and save the number in your phone.
- ✓ Buy a collar, a 2 m lead, 2 steel bowls, a bed and the food the breeder uses.
- ✓ Plan who walks and feeds the puppy, and when.
- ✓ Book the first vaccines and deworming with the vet.
- ✓ Register the puppy at your ward office once it has its vaccines.
- ✓ Book a trainer for obedience from 3 months of age.

Sources

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Talk to a K9 trainer at Kapan

Supreme Pet Home trains guard and protection dogs at Kapan
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It starts with a **Rs 1,500** assessment, which sets the plan and the
quote. Bring your dog, or come before you buy one.



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