



World Association For Dalmatians



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Youth	<p>In the year 1968, I was born in Oybin, nestled in the picturesque Oberlausitz. In our modest apartment, space for larger pets was limited, yet hamsters, budgerigars, and ornamental fish found their place as steadfast companions. As children, we even dared to venture into breeding these animal companions, an endeavor that met with varying degrees of success. However, my personal fascination drew me early on to the mountains and cliffs, where I discovered my passion for climbing, or to journeys that allowed me to explore the world.</p>
Family and worklife	<p>After completing school, I pursued a vocational training as a power plant operator. However, later on, I discovered my passion for programming and turned it into my profession in 1999. Since then, I've been working as a software developer, specializing in apps. I got married to Susanne in 2019, and our animals serve as our substitute for children.</p>
My first dog	<p>In 1999, I harbored the dream of having a dog. Upon awakening from this dream, I reached for a newspaper that advertised dogs for sale. My attention was drawn to a Doberman-Rottweiler mixed-breed named Dusty. For over a decade, until the separation from my then-girlfriend, she was always by my side – a loyal companion who accompanied me in climbing, jogging, mountain biking, and simply everywhere.</p> <p>In 2010, I met Susanne, and together we acquired a house in the countryside. For us, it was clear that a home without a dog and a cat is not complete. That's when Selma, a Hovawart/Rottweiler mix, became a part of our family. Unfortunately, Selma's time with us was cut short, and she only lived to be nine years old.</p>
Dalmatians	<p>After the painful loss of Selma, Susanne decided to seek solace by looking for dogs in the shelter. There, she came across Yanni, a beautiful Dalmatian male who had already found a new family. This apparent twist of fate turned out to be our fortune because, otherwise, we wouldn't have our beloved Suki (Dalmundis Believe in Miracles) today, whom we adopted from Katrin and Frank Pfannenschmid. Since then, the Dalmatian bug has bitten us, and we can no longer imagine a life without this enchanting breed.</p>
Dogs at present	<p>Currently, we have two Dalmatian females, Sima (Kosima vom Roten Herzfleck) and Suki (Dalmundis Believe in Miracles).</p>
Breeding activities	<p>When we acquired Sima from Katrin and Frank in November 2021, they encouraged us to start our breeding journey with Suki. However, before we could truly commence, there was much to do and learn. At that point, Suki had not been presented at a show, undergone an HD examination, or received breeding approval. Similarly, we had not fulfilled all the requirements for breeding. However, after a year and a half, the time had finally come. With Suki, we welcomed our A-litter, where 8 charming puppies came into the world.</p> <p>Now that Sima is also approved for breeding, we could plan our B-litter. The puppies from this litter are expected to be born in March 2024.</p>
Membership in Dog Clubs	<p>I am a member of the DZGD and the CDF in Germany. Additionally, I serve as the webmaster for WAFDAL, the CDF, and various other associations.</p>

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