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### Front Cover: BOXER BREED

The brachiocephalic boxer dog originates from Germany. The breed is considered the seventh most popular in the USA. The coat is short, shiny and smooth with recognized colors of "fawn" and "Brindle". "White" boxers possess the piebald gene which is linked to congenital deafness in dogs. Boxers are energetic and playful and become especially attached to the family. The name "Boxer" is apparently derived from the breed's inclination to play by standing on its hind legs and "boxing" with its front paws.