Choosing a Good Dog Bed by Torsten Baumgartner

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You'd think choosing something as simple as dog bed would be an easy task, but thanks to the massive range available through any good pet store, what should be a care-free task turns into a full blown shopping experience, where all aspects of each and every bed must be carefully scrutinized.

The first decision you need to make is the type of dog bed you should go for. Should it be a soft, plush bed, or a plump mattress bed? How about a plastic dog bed, or a wicker basket? This choice should come down really to providing the best comfort for your dog, and then secondly, on your personal preference, as some beds may just look out of place in a perfectly styled home. When choosing a dog basket of any kind, be it plastic or wicker, it's important to fill the bed with some kind of mattress or blanket, as on their own, these types of dog beds can be cold, hard and uninviting. Once filled with an old, warm blanket, these beds make perfect sleeping zones in front of the roaring fire, and the high sides of these types of beds create a comforting, closed in area your dog can feel safe and secure in.

Plush beds are often the bed of choice for many owners, as they are available in a large choice of stylish colours and designs, so it's very hard to find one that won't suit your decor. They also come in many types of fabrics, from suede, to leather and soft fluffy cottons. These beds are ideal if you are short on space, and may not be able to fit a large basket in your house, as plush dog beds can often be squished and placed anywhere in the house. However, depending on the colour of your dog, and the length of the fur, these plush dog beds can quickly become very dirty, and washing them may be difficult due to the size.

Again, the first thing to consider when choosing a dog bed, is the comfort of your pet. All dogs are different, and you choose the type that's right for your dog.

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