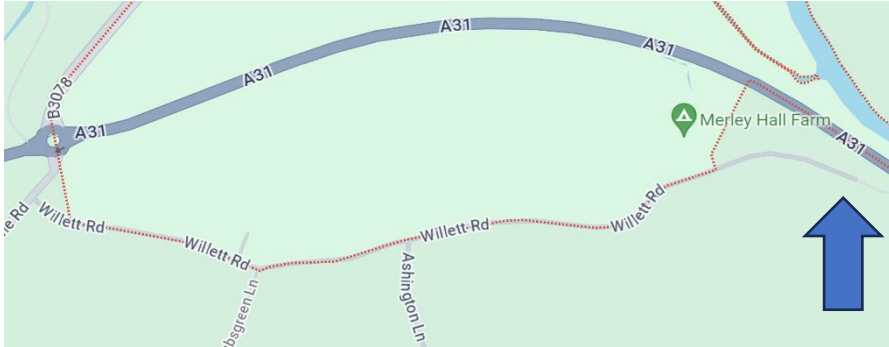




## Fundog Gundog- Where to find us, and what to bring

Hello and thank you for booking with Fundog Gundog! I'm looking forward to seeing you soon. If you have any problems finding the location, please call me on 07503 336019.

### Directions and Parking



We train at a private field, the nearest postcode is BH21 3DH, this will take you to Willett Road. Please drive slowly along Willett Road (as there are lots of pedestrians etc) past Merley Hall Farm, until you come to two gates blocking the road, with signs saying private access only (**blue arrow**).

### IMPORTANT!

If you are joining a group class, there are a few parking options:

1. The small layby on Willett Road near the gate (see below)
2. Merley Ways/ Willett Arms Pub (the other end of the bridleway that goes past the field)

If you are coming via Willett Road, **please park in the layby** near the gate unless I have said otherwise. Do not drive through the gate, and PLEASE don't park in front of it- this is a working farm and they will be very annoyed if they can't get to their sheep! And please don't park on the neighbour's grass etc, this will create problems for me if they complain to the farmer (and they do!).



The field is a short walk from this gate, and a good opportunity to settle your dog before class. If you are a 1-2-1 client, you can park here or go through the gate on the LEFT, indicated by the blue arrow. If you drive through the gate, you are on a private road, **go VERY slowly** as there will be walkers and we don't want any complaints.

Follow the road under the bridge and around to the right. The field is the first gate on the right. Please park inside the gate by the cones, do not drive into the field.

Google maps ref: <https://maps.app.goo.gl/kHXTRLEJCsmLKN8X6>

What3Words for the first gate: **likes.serve.inch**



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### Field “Rules”

- Please do not arrive more than 5 minutes before the class
- Once at the field please keep your dog on a lead unless directed otherwise by me
- Please don't allow your dog to greet unknown dogs
- Please pick up and take home any poo
- Please do not allow your dog to urinate on equipment (you will be expected to clean it!)

### What to expect

I am accredited in gundog-specific and general dog training with the following organisations:

Gundog Trainers Academy- Accredited Instructor (GTA-ad)

Animal Behaviour Training Council- Accredited Animal Training Instructor (ATI)

Institute of Modern Dog Trainers- Accredited Trainer (IMDT)

Training techniques follow reward-based ethical training. Please remember when we teach something new the rate of rewarding (ie food) is high- **you will need more food than you think!** Training is not the time to be stingy! You may wish to adjust your dog's breakfast, or bring some with you (bearing in mind kibble is not very exciting in the big wide world, so mix it with some high-value stuff!) On that note...

Treats- the tastier, the better. Think about a range- dog pate, chicken, cheese, hot dogs. Cut up into small bite sizes, and some larger sizes that can be seen on grass (larger pieces of chicken and cheese work well as they are pale).

### Items to bring

**Harness and 2m lead** (no slip leads please; for initial heelwork and recall training). The harness is for safety for your dog and others, not a training “tool”, so unless they have perfect recall, please bring one.

I recommend the following harnesses:

Dog Copenhagen - <https://dogcopenhagen.co.uk/>

Non-Stop Dogwear Line harness- <https://www.nonstopdogwear.com/en/product/line-harness-5/>

T-touch harness- <https://www.xtradog.training/product/ttouch-harness/>

A harness that is Y shaped at the front is best, the harnesses that go across the shoulders of the dog like a bar in front, stop the range of movement and can cause issues for your dog. Ones that also allow free movement up and down of the shoulder blade are best.

**A longline lead**- up to 10 metres (again, this is mostly for safety reasons, so your dog can't run up to others)



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**A clicker- I recommend a box clicker like this one:**

(please don't buy an integrated clicker and whistle, they are hard to handle for you!)



**A couple of toys your dog enjoys-** tug toy, ball etc

**Something to help your dog settle-** e.g. a lickimat, a Kong with food inside, a settle mat

**A whistle-** I recommend Acme whistles, 210.5 for spaniels/ HR breeds (higher-pitched) or 211.5/ 212 for retriever and HPR breeds (lower pitch, carries across distance better). <https://www.acmewhistles.co.uk/>

**A good sense of humour and desire to have fun with your dog!**

Companies I also like to buy from- all have websites:

Gamekeepers Goods

Dog and Field

Muntjac Trading

Sporting Saint

JR Pet Products

**I usually have a small supply of clickers, dummies and training pate available to purchase as well. Please ask.**

