



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 Willet Road. Please drive slowly along Willet Road, as there are lots of pedestrians, cyclists, dog walkers and farm vehicles. Follow Willet Road past Merley Hall Farm, until you come to two gates blocking the road, with signs saying private access only (blue arrow below).



IMPORTANT!

If you are a 1-2-1 client, please go through the gate on the LEFT, indicated by the blue arrow.

If you are joining a group class, 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!



The field is a short walk/ drive from this gate, and is a good opportunity to settle your dog before the class. If you drive through the gate, you are on a private road, **please go VERY slowly** as there will be walkers across the road and we don't want any complaints.

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

What3Words for the first gate: likes.serve.inch

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.

Please keep your dog on a lead unless directed otherwise by me.



What to expect

I am an accredited in both gundog-specific and general dog training instruction 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).

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

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.

A longline lead- up to 10 metres

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

(please don't buy an integrated clicker and whistle, they make life very complicated 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

If you are joining a gundog class, please also bring 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 whistle is not needed for the "New to Fundog Gundog" session)

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



Discounts for Fundog Gundog Clients

As a thank you for booking, I asked some companies I like for a discount for my clients- I do not receive any percentage from this, I just like the companies and like to support small businesses where I can!

1. **Chiltern Pet Products** - 10% discount with Chiltern Pet Products- the code to use is **Fundog10** . I highly recommend their pate for training- <https://chilternpetproducts.co.uk/>.
2. **Benyfit Natural**- raw dog food and treats- 20% discount on your first order, use the code "FUND OG10". <https://benyfitnatural.co.uk/>
3. **ADW Gundog Supplies**- 10% discount with the code FUND OGCLIENT. They carry a lot of brands and make their own leads- <https://www.adwgundogsupplies.co.uk/>

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

