

Things to Do

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Hot dogs in the city

Meet three of the pups—all native New Yorkers—competing in this year's Westminster Dog Show.

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The Westminster Kennel Club 139th Annual Dog Show returns to Madison Square Garden this week, and with it hundreds of pooches going paw to paw for winning titles. Meet three of the crazy-cute competitors who told us all about their high-achieving lifestyles, favorite restaurants and the best spots to hang out with their humans.



▲ **Name:** Olive
Breed: French bulldog
Age: Two-and-a-half
Neighborhood: Upper West Side

Category: Best of breed
Competition history: I'm a grand champion, so I'm kind of a big deal. I won Group First Puppy in my first-ever show, and I've won multiple Best of Opposite Sex titles, which means a boy won the overall title but I was the best girl.
Favorite places: I never forget a store once they give me a treat, especially Riverside Liquor. I drag my dad, Travis, in there every time!
Favorite foods: I can't get enough peanut butter, and I love chicken liver and chicken breast.
Hobbies: Fetching my favorite orange Chuckit! ball, cuddling and climbing on top of you to lick your face for half an hour
Best friend: My brother, Harley
Fun fact: I'm known as Miss Congeniality around the dog park.

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Liquor Co, her
favoritetreatstop



Poppethanging
out at Clove
Lakes Park

▲ **Name:** Poppet
Breed: Bearded collie
Age: 8
Neighborhood: Sunnyside, Staten Island
Category: Agility
Competition history: Last year was my first in the agility trials at Westminster. I also have obedience and sheep-herding titles.
Favorite places: I love practicing agility at the Staten Island Companion Dog Training Club

or taking walks around Clove Lakes Park!
Favorite foods: I'll eat anything, but I really love the salmon dog treats my mom, Trudy, makes.
Hobbies: I'm known as the Thief—if there's something missing, I stole it!
Best friend: My brother, Jack
Fun fact: I've been in a FedEx commercial, and you can catch Daniel Radcliffe walking me in the upcoming Judd Appatow movie, *Trainwreck*.



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◀ **Name:** Bond
Breed: Rhodesian ridgeback
Age: 4
Neighborhood: West Village
Category: Best of breed
Competition history: This is my third time at Westminster, and last year I won the Best of Opposite Sex title.
Favorite places: I love to eat out at Barbuto and Bobby's—you can always see my nose over the table.
Favorite foods: Apples, chicken, steak and, of course, peanut butter!
Hobbies: Running around the beach at my family's home in Southampton and playing catch with myself
Best friend: My mom, Katherine
Fun fact: I've been in the *New York Post* and the *Daily News* and was recently a featured guest at a Knicks game. Plus, everyone in the West Village knows me!

The **Westminster Kennel Club 139th Annual Dog Show** is at Madison Square Garden Mon 16 and Tue 17. Times and prices vary.