

J.R. Martinez Prepares His Dog for His Baby



Man's best friend? Meet Daddy's little girl. Season 13 winner of *Dancing With The Stars*, J.R. Martinez, is preparing his black lab for the arrival of his baby girl in May. The actor and former U.S. Army soldier, told [People](#) that his lab, Romeo, is a loving pup and "totally human". Sounds like J.R. Martinez is going to be a great father.

How do you prepare your pet for the arrival of a new baby?

Cupid's Advice:

For most couples, getting a dog is a great learning experience before having a baby. Therefore, when the time comes to add a new bundle of joy to the family, couples need to prepare their child's future sibling and best friend. Here are some fun ways to get your pet ready for a new baby in the house:

- 1. Less attention is okay:** Pets are just like children, because they need a lot of attention. Try to practice minimizing that attention before the baby comes.
- 2. Consider a training class:** Take care of your pet's urges of possessiveness and mouthing/scratching.
- 3. Dress rehearsal:** Use a doll or ask friends to bring their babies over so your dog can become comfortable around children.

How have you prepared your dog for the arrival of your new baby? Share your comments below.