



Ben of Hyde

The first yellow labrador ever

History of the Fox Red Lab



King George VI and Queen

Elizabeth with their dark yellow

labrador



Kellygreen's Kardinal

Many of today's fox red Labradors can look back in the pedigree and see Kardinal.



English Champion Wynfaul Tabasco

Two breeders from the UK, John and Glenda Crook of Balrion and Mac Bedford of Wynfaul Labradors had always had an interest in dark yellows. This interest that led to the rebirth of the fox red. The Crook's owned one of the most famous Labradors of all time, Ch Balrion King Frost. In his litters he seemed always to produce very dark yellows. It was one of his granddaughters that produced the great Ch Wynfaul Tabasco, the father of the modern fox red Labrador. Not only was he a stunning red dog but he had excellent conformation. He became the only modern fox red Show Champion in the UK. Tobasco, if you went far enough back, is descended from the last Dual Champion in Great Britain, Knaith Benjo.



Bslrion Red Alert

The next step, again bringing in Ch Balrion King Frost, was a breeding with Wynfaul Tabasco to Lady Bountiful of Balrion, herself a very dark yellow girl, daughter of Show Ch Balrion Kings Ransom who was a son of King Frost. Within this litter there was a red boy puppy sold to Sally Kelley of Kelleygreen Labradors in the United States, Balrion Red Alert. A couple breeders, Kelleygreen and Keepsake Labradors through Sally Kelley's big red import, Red Alert, have done a lot in recent years to bring the color back. In most all fox red pedigrees of today, a little research will show this dog in the pedigree multiple times.



Balrion King Frost

Looking back over the history of the fox red shade from Ben of Hyde through today, one might say that Ch Balrion King Frost has had the biggest influence in the re-development of the fox red shade.

About Labradors

Personality

Labrador Retrievers are commonly known as “Lovable Labs” but you will occasionally meet some with a more prominent or aggressive personality. Many people believe this has to do with color but this is a false conception. The color of a Labrador has nothing to do with temperament but rather it is the type of temperament that is bred into them. For instance if you have two mellow mannered dogs and breed them you will usually only get mellow mannered puppies, if you breed a hyper dog to a mellow dog you will get a mix of mellow, energetic, and hyper puppies to choose from. It

also has to do with the type of Lab you choose. There are basically two types known as English (also known as British and Show dogs) and American (also known as a Field or Hunting Dog).



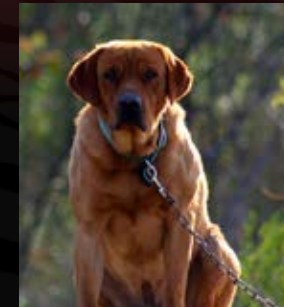
Two Types of Labs

There are two Types of Labradors. They are generally referred to as English and American. The English Lab is also called a British or Show dog. The British build and temperament is usually quite different from the American, they have a shorter, blocky build with a broader face and a very calm, docile temperament. This type of lab was generally used for show and its looks, but not for retrieving. The American Lab on the other hand is built tall and thin for endurance and has a longer more narrow face than the English. Their temperament is also different in that they are usually hyper, energetic and intelligent. But are a little harder to train because of the energy level.

American Labrador



English Labrador



The Perfect Cross

What we have found here at Redlund Labradors is most people want a dog that has the calmer temperament of the English lab and the intelligent, retrieving ability of the American lab.

What we have done is cross the two types so they will be versatile for individual needs. This special cross has the ability to be a docile family pet and a companion dog along with being athletic for playing fetch or retrieving. Thus a more all around, versatile dog that will lay on your couch and/ or get out and have some fun, depending on the puppy you pick according to your own personal needs.