## **Coteau Kennel Philosophy**

Coteau Kennel is a family of French Brittany enthusiasts, breeding Gundogs/Housedogs for the walking hunter. We use only proven field performers with sound temperament for easy training and attentive personalities. Coteau Kennel features UKC, NAVHDA and AKC registered French Brittanies or Epagneul Bretons. In short, Coteau Kennel offers gundogs dogs for the home.

Coteau Kennel pups are home tested as we live with our dogs in the house. There are no wire kennels here, just a large old house with hardwood floors and a fenced in backyard. It is not uncommon to walk into a bedroom and have the whole pack look up at you from the comfort of the bed. We are firm believers that dogs do what you let them, and if a dog is smart enough to learn the house rules and not cheat it can stay, and if it passes the field, coat, eyes, teeth, size and hip tests it might be bred.

We have very few litters at Coteau Kennel as our dogs are gundogs first, and stud and dam second. There are no brood bitches here just hunting dogs that occasionally have puppies. The litters we do have are born and raised in the house with all the normal noises and commotions of a home with children.

Our whelping area is the downstairs laundry room next to the kid's bedroom. Each night a different pup is stolen by a child and returned after everyone is sleeping. All our pups are introduced to many new experiences such as the squabbling of children, the banging of pots, gunshots, live birds, acres of grass, and shallow water in the safety of the pack. This builds bold young dogs destined for gundog greatness.