

Roberto Fabbretti **Drawing Dogs**

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As opposed to the stories often heard, learning to draw on our own it's not a difficult task. In order to achieve this, we just need to follow a logical and rational method. This book reveals how to draw cats taking as a reference the skeleton of the animal. After this, the drawing will be made through its association with geometrical figures. Everybody is capable of drawing a circle, a square or a triangle, but what people don't know is that with a few additional touches your sketch can be transformed into an incredible animal!

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Considered man's best friend, the dog has been drawn by painters of all epochs. The interest in this animal is still alive today, and evidence of that is the privileged place in television series and commercials.

A good number of works from the past testify to its presence in the arts, such as in *St. Augustine in his Study* by Vittore Carpaccio. This Renaissance picture presents, at the bottom on the left, as a counterpoint to the whole scene, a seated spitz contemplating the saint.

Apparently, the illustrious Michelangelo also had a dog of this breed, and given that these two artists lived at the same time, it can be deduced that it was a fairly common breed in central and northern Italy.

The paintings of the 14th–19th centuries frequently presented greyhounds accompanying members of high society; it may be assumed that this breed was an external symbol of wealth in European courts. Anecdotes of this type help to equally establish the dissemination of other breeds in different countries and in different historical contexts.

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