

You have settled on getting a Samoyed for the next addition to your family, you've done research on the breed and what is involved with its care to keep it healthy and happy throughout its life. You have picked your breeder or rescue where you will get your dog.

There is one more thing you should consider before you get your Samoyed and that is the

Cost of Owning a Dog.

(PLEASE READ CAREFULLY)

The costs listed here are only estimates based on cost in 2010.

*Purchase Price-----	\$1000.00
Fencing-----	\$ 1500.00
Food-----	\$ 500.00
Vitamins/Supplements -----	\$ 75.00
Treats -----	\$ 50.00
Chew Bones -----	\$ 50.00
Spay/Neuter (if pet) -----	\$ 200.00
Deworming -----	\$30.00
Vet Visits (annual) -----	\$ 200.00
Heartworm Test (annual) -----	\$ 20.00
Vaccinations -----	\$ 100.00
Heartworm Medication (12 months) -----	\$ 100.00
Dental Care -----	\$ 40.00
Flea Control -----	\$ 50.00
Bed -----	\$ 75.00
Bowls -----	\$25.00
Collar/ID Tag -----	\$ 20.00
Micro Chip Implant/Registration -----	\$ 50.00
Leashes (6' solid or longer recommended) ---	\$ 20.00
Crate and Crate Pad -----	\$ 150.00
Pet First Aid Kit -----	\$ 30.00
Car Restraint-----	\$ 100.00
Training Classes-----	\$ 450.00
Training Tools-----	\$ 100.00
Shampoo/Conditioner -----	\$ 100.00
Grooming Table -----	\$ 300.00
Grooming Tools -----	\$ 75.00
Professional Grooming (twice yearly with bath) -----	\$ 300.00
Boarding/Pet Sitting -----	\$ 450.00
Carpet Stain Cleaner/Odor Removal----	\$ 50.00
Waste Disposal -----	\$ 50.00
Approximate First Year Expenses -----	\$ 6,260.00
Approximate Yearly Expenses -----	\$ 2,200.00
Approximate Total Expenses for a 14 year old Samoyed -----	\$ 34,860.00

Totals in red are expected first year expenses but also may include replacement costs over the years. These items are not included in the yearly expense total.

Totals in black are expected yearly expenses. Some of these expenses may be optional but recommended. Remember these are only estimates. Costs like grooming depend on how often you have a professional grooming done or if you want to learn to Do It Yourself.

Fencing is optional or may include types of field fencing or chain link ("buried fences" are not recommended for Samoyeds) and also depends on whether fencing is already in place or what type of fencing you use. If you do not want to use fencing be ready to walk your Samoyed 2 to 3 times a day for at least a half hour.

*The cost of a Samoyed puppy from an ethical breeder (do your research on the breeder and ask lots of questions) in 2010 can run anywhere from \$800 to \$3500 depending on the breeder or whether it is for "show" or pet. The costs of an older Samoyed through a rescue system (do your research and ask lots of questions) can run around \$300.

IMPORTANT: Be aware that these categories and estimated expenses do not include any medical conditions, injuries or emergency vet visits that may occur in a dog's lifetime and it does not include the cost of putting your dog to sleep when necessary or burial/cremation. It also doesn't include an expense for pet insurance if you wish to purchase that. Since you will own a dog and accidents do happen there will be expenses for carpet cleaning, replacement, and or area rugs located at strategic places near doorways.