

Irish Water Spaniel in art

My name is Jacki Sinclair Sunde and I hail from Prince of Wales Island, part of the islands that form SE Alaska. Our little town of Coffman Cove sits on the east coast and is on the Inside Passage. We have a small population (80) year around residents...and I often joke that we have the largest population per capita of IWS. There are six!

Mine own first knowledge of the Irish Water Spaniel came in a AKC Magazine that the owner of our little sundries store had received in the mail. As a local hang out, the counter is always busy on mail days, it arrives via float plane weather permitting, 3 days a week. To get back to the IWS, there was a article about Irish Water Spaniels also referred to as "whiptails or rattails". Of course everyone started commenting about their coats and that turned everyone's attention to me. Mine own hair is auburn and as curly as any IWS! The magazine was passed to me and reading the article and looking at the beautiful pictures, I knew that this was the dog for me...actually finding was a two year endeavor!



It was mine own daughter with the help of the library computer that found a breeder and lots more pictures of Irish Water Spaniels. She found Diane Wackers Muddy Waters Kennel first. I called immediately...she had no puppies but she knew of a kennel that still had puppies left. That put me in touch with Liz Weaver and her Mole End Kennel, she had two girls left, orange and yellow. I picked yellow girl from litter T and she became Mole End Twisted Sister. I loved her from the moment I took her out of the kennel on a float plane dock in Thorne Bay, Alaska. I was hooked, mine own life would never be the same and Muddy Waters Revelations arrived 2 years later! I can not say enough good about these dogs! What ever job you give them, they are ready and willing and do it with their whole heart. The icing on the cake is just how beautiful they are doing it. They have become the center of many of mine own art projects.

That brings me to my art. I am a self taught artist, drawing at a early age. I have moved into oils, water colour and coloured pencils. It seems that Irish Water Spaniel are quite inspirational as I just can't stop drawing them! I have a artists page on Facebook and now have the pleasure of drawing

other peoples IWS as well as mine own. I live in the perfect IWS environment a fusion of the forest and the sea. I have 4 beautiful IWS companions and all the inspiration to keep me painting and drawing!

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If you want to treasure your own portrait, please contact Jacki via: mybogdogs@gmail.com





Angel Bear
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