I found Ed and Shining Star GSP a few months after I had to put down my 15 year-old lab. Zeus was never formally trained to hunt, and in his later years he was more of an every-day companion than a hunting partner. I had never owned or hunted behind a German Shorthaired Pointer, but I was turned on to the breed, and referred to Ed, by an acquaintance who is an avid bird hunter. When my family and I met with Ed, he graciously took considerable time talking with us about German Shorthaired Pointers generally, and answered all of our questions; he asked me questions to determine what I was looking for in a hunting dog and family companion to see if a GSP was the right "fit;" and, he shared his breeding and training philosophy with us. When we were then allowed to see and meet his dogs, it was an easy decision.

I am absolutely thrilled with Gunner, as well as the training Ed has provided. Ed is always willing to answer my questions and provide advice. He worked with Gunner in his Puppy School and Adult School, and Ed trained and handled Gunner to a perfect score of 112 points, Prize 1, in the NAVHDA Natural Ability Test. At 15 months now, Gunner is everything I could have wanted, and more, in a hunting dog and companion. In the field, his drive is phenomenal, and he has a nose to match. Because of his intelligence, inquisitive nature and gentle temperament at home, Gunner has become a wonderful addition to our family.

Ed and Shining Star GSP have far exceeded all of my expectations. Ed's dedication to his dogs, his clients and the breed are second to none.

Thank you, Ed.

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