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This book is definitely my favorite and the one I go back to the most. It is very engaging and easy to read. I also happen to own "Advanced Schutzhund" by Balabanov, and I have no desire to open it again after i

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#### About the Author

Dietmar Schellenberg is one of those few individuals who through a life-long love for, and association with, domestic animals have come to really understand and truly communicate with pets, and dogs in particular. He gathered a wealth of knowledge and experience in canine matters, from various breed and training clubs as well as such prestigious institutions as the German Police Dog Academy and the German Railroad Police Dog School, and through his many associations with cynological authorities. He personally trained and supervised the training of more than twelve thousand dog/handler teams. He is an acclaimed Animal Behavior Specialist, and he designed, built and operated dog training and boarding facilities in New York, Georgia and Alabama. With more than 60 years of experience in the field, he is well known as an internationally licensed Police Dog / Schutzhund Judge, author of the predominant, world-wide recognized training manual for working dogs, editor of a dog training magazine, writer, lecturer, consultant, Canine Specialist for the Technical Advisory Service for Attorneys (US/CANADA), President of Working Dogs of America, Inc., Founding Member and Officer of the North American Schutzhund Association, Inc., and Honorary Member of many Schutzhund Clubs. He has appeared on a variety of radio and TV shows. Dr. Schellenberg is a native German. An academic teacher and scientist by training, he holds two Pd.D.'s (Nature Science, and Psychology/Education) and several patents in chemistry. Other books published by him are >Humorous Magnificus< , >Survival Guide for Pet Owners< , >Taurus, Mostly< , and >Ballroom Dancing< .

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