



Australian Terriers

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The Australian Terrier Dog

About the Australian Terrier Dog

Australian Terriers are intelligent, energetic, lively dogs. Although they fall into the smaller end of the terrier group, they don't seem to know that their courage far outstrips their size! Their origins are a little murky but seem to point to early (17th or 18th C.) English terrier lineage. Friendly, engaging "Aussies" are considered Australia's native terrier. They have the grit and toughness of working dogs with charm to spare.

It is important to make an informed pet selection and equally as important to make informed decisions throughout the life of your pet. We will take you through the process of bringing home your new family member and lead you all the way to cherishing your memories of the long life you share together. We will provide you with an outstanding number of tips and helpful advice including health tips and cautions. This complimentary book is packed full of information to fulfill your dog parenting needs. You will be given access to checklists and handy vet tips to ensure that you are taking proper care of your companion animal. Take a few moments to benefit from this information, and you will spend many years enjoying a loving relationship with your new Australian Terrier.

General Characteristics

One of the smaller terriers of the AKC registered breeds, the Australian Terrier is very spirited and loyal. Sturdy, with medium bones, they are still used as working dogs to hunt snakes and rats. Even companion animals never stop hunting – it's a function of their breed, and it is part of their charm for their fans. They have keen eyesight and hearing. Their coats are rough and short, and the breed can be one of three colors: blue and tan, solid sandy, or solid red. They have a slightly softer ruff, apron, and topknot. Their bodies are long rather than square, and they are very well-muscled with perky, alert ears. Aussies have relatively large heads with strong muzzles, although the muzzles are in proportion to the rest of the dog.

Aussies have a typical life span of 15 or more years. Their training needs to be consistent and loving. Like all terriers, they can be a little willful. Unlike many terriers, they are fairly amenable to training. Proper diet, exercise, grooming, and veterinary attention will benefit you and your Australian Terrier.

Average Weight	9-14 pounds	Temperament	Spirited, loyal, smart. Often wary of strangers
Average Height	9-11 inches	Good with Children	Yes. Like most dogs, avoid teasing them, however.
Coat	Rough, short topcoats. Soft undercoats. 3 colors: Blue and tan, solid sandy, solid red	Health Concerns	Very few. Study, healthy dogs



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Selecting Your Australian Terrier Puppy – Adoption or a Breeder?

It can be a matter of personal preference to adopt or rescue an Australian Terrier. Another personal choice might be to select your Australian Terrier from a reputable breeder.

A few words about adoption:

Look for a pet adoption shelter or rescue center in your community. Use your community resources, such as your library, newspaper, and any online information to understand the reputation of the shelter before you go there. Ask questions at the center and of other people who may have used their services before. Find out as much as you can about the history of the pets you are considering. Know that some pets are up for adoption because they have been left behind due to divorce or families having to relocate – not all pets in shelters or rescue centers come from abused or neglectful situations. Pet adoption or rescue is less expensive than purchasing from a dog breeder. For those who face economic challenges, this option is worth considering. You have the satisfaction of providing a home for a deserving pet.

A few words about breeders:

Perhaps you prefer an Australian Terrier that comes from a reputable breeder in order to raise your pet as a show dog or breed your pet to further the advancement of Australian Terriers in your community. Breeders are very knowledgeable about the breed's overall health and characteristics. You can find dog breeders by looking in the newspaper, searching on the internet, or checking with the local vet. Make sure the breeder is associated with the AKC. Dog breeders will usually be very particular about the person wanting to purchase the dog. They may want to know what other animals are in the home or if there are any children living in the home. Make sure the breeders' facilities are clean and always ask to see the mother and father of the puppy you want to buy. The breeder should be able to provide a written health guarantee and all shot records. In addition, confirm that the breeder's preferences (temperament, color, body type) are what you are looking for in a pet.

Either option is viable based on your own knowledge, expectations, and personal convictions. The most important thing to remember when selecting your pet is to select the pet right for you. Pet ownership is a big responsibility. Select a pet that fits your lifestyle.

How to Choose Your New Australian Terrier Pup

Choosing a dog can be a difficult decision because there are many different personalities and aesthetic qualities you may want to look for. Do you prefer to have the runt of the litter or the huskiest brute? Will a pup's winsome expression win you over? Pet adoptions or rescues are viable options for selecting your Australian Terrier. Make sure you look for the following signs of a healthy dog:



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- History and lineage are necessary, as the genetics of animals are much like that of humans.
- Make sure paw pads are soft and well taken care of.
- Plump bellies are common in healthy puppies, but be sure they're not too plump.
- Tails and facial expressions can give strong clues about the pup's personality and disposition.

Before You Bring Your Australian Terrier Home

It is important to puppy-proof your home, and be as prepared as possible to provide a safe and secure environment for your new friend. In an effort to prepare for the care of your new pet, you should create a checklist, and learn about the special needs of your pet. Make sure that your floors are free of clutter. This includes shoes and electric cords, as puppies like to chew. Use the rule "out of sight, out of mind" when introducing your puppy to his new environment.

Create a list of items that you need for your new pet. You will need the essentials to care for your pet such as a good puppy food, a brush for grooming, toys for playtime, and crates or kennels for containment. Puppy pads and treats or other training products will come in handy as well. The reward system is great for teaching your pet important lessons. Some toys double as treat holders, so when you play games with your pet, they have a fun way to get to their reward. Your pup will soon discover what you want from him/her if you use a loving manner to convey your messages. Australian Terriers can be a little headstrong, but they can be trained with liberal applications of patience, love, and positive reinforcement.

It is really important to start your pup with a good health regimen. Keep accurate health and immunization records throughout the life of your pet. This will make it much easier for you to maintain proper health standards for your animal. Be sure to introduce him/her early to the vet and the grooming process. These are good practices for new owners as well as the pups. Of equal importance is a healthy diet for your pet. It is a good idea to follow your breeder or vet's guidelines for all of your pet's nutritional needs. Puppy food has different nutrients than adult or senior foods. Allergy-sensitive animals require special dietary ingredients as well.

Being prepared is the most important aspect of introducing your new family member to his or her new environment. Purchase books about your breed, ask questions of the breeder and your vet, and read about your pet online or at your community library.

Your Australian Terrier Through the Years

A Your Australian Terrier Puppy

Each stage of your pet's life will be characterized by special needs. Puppies' lives are full of learning experiences. Enjoy the time you spend with your puppy. Use chew toys or balls to keep your puppy active, and know that you can use these toys not only to play but also to train your pet. Puppies learn quickly and can develop bad habits, if they are not properly stimulated. Conversely, they can learn good habits if trained lovingly and early on. Be vigilant to discourage unwanted behavior in the young Australian Terrier. They are true terriers and can be a little stubborn and headstrong.



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EXPERT TIP

Selecting a Crate

A dog should be able to stand and turn around inside a closed crate. If you have a Australian Terrier puppy, consider the average height and weight of an adult Terrier and choose a crate based on those specifications.

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Healthy habits are established at this stage of life as well. Vaccinations, dietary standards, and proper grooming regimens are very important for puppies. Your Australian Terrier should have clean bowls for food and water. Sometimes, it is helpful to place the bowls on a non-slip surface. There are many decorative bowls and placemats available to make your pet's feeding time special. Take extra time to get your pup used to regular grooming. Use shampoos, nail clippers, brushes, and toothbrushes to keep your pup shiny and squeaky clean. When you introduce a new grooming device to your puppy, it is important to let the pup become acquainted with the item before using it. Remember to put the item away when you are no longer using it, or the pup might mistake it for a toy – or prey!

Your Australian Terrier Adult

As your dog begins to age, his needs begin to change. Keep surprises to a minimum by being prepared. Keep your dog active and healthy. Change out his/her toys often to keep them interested. Sometimes adult dogs develop allergies. If you notice changes in the skin or fur, you may need to change your pet's diet. If your pet develops allergies, you will see changes in its coat, skin, eyes or ears. If you suspect your dog has allergies, the best thing to do is take it to the vet. There are excellent remedies that will become an important part of your dog's routine.

As your dog ages his nails, paw pads, coat, skin, eyes and ears need special attention. Make grooming a happy time for your dog. You should keep the coat clean and free of dander, fleas, and tangled or matted hair. Also keep nails trimmed, check the pads on their paws frequently for spurs, and keep tooth tartar under control. Keep up with all of your adult pet's needs by frequently checking supplies and making sure that you have the most efficient tools handy to keep your dog in good health.

Your Australian Terrier Senior

When your pet climbs the hill into his senior years (older than 7 years or so), his needs will change again. Dietary changes are the most prevalent at this life stage. As your dog ages, so does his digestive system. Make sure your senior Australian Terrier maintains a proper diet and receives proper nutrients by starting him on a daily vitamin. Keep abreast of the latest trends in dental products. There are many tartar control products on the market today. There are bones, toys, and toothbrushes geared to an older dog's health and happiness. If your dog moves more slowly than usual or limps, it could be a sign of a joint problem. You may want to provide a more appropriate sleeping and lounging area for your pet or an orthopedic dog bed. Remember that dogs age in some of the same ways that humans do. You can help them manage aches and pains with the proper pet healthcare aids, knowledge, and care.

Senior pets have many changes in disposition and could easily be stressed by active young children. They may show signs of increased irritability when eating or when encouraged to do something they would rather not do. Grumpy seniors have a way of making sure that you are aware when they are unhappy. It is important to know that senior animals tend to do things their own way and in their own time. Care for your senior in a loving, gentle manner mixed with a little patience and understanding.

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Cherish the special moments with your pet and keep them close to your heart. Display pictures of your dog around your home or office. Develop family traditions that include your pet. Fun reminders for your family can include, celebrating your dog's birthday, exchanging sentiments on special holidays, and even sharing memorable stories about your wonderful Aussie with extended family.

Australian Terrier Medical Considerations

Australian Terriers are robust, healthy dogs. They are long-lived and have no major hereditary diseases. Their strong breeding stands them in good stead. Do not ever let your Aussie roam off leash because of their inescapable hunt instinct might get them into trouble.



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