

Cavalier King Charles Spaniel



- Temperament: [Affectionate, Gentle, Graceful](#)
- AKC Breed Popularity: Ranks 19 of 194
- Height: 12-13 inches
- Weight: 13-18 pounds
- Life Expectancy: 12-15 years
- Group: [Toy Group](#)

GROOMING

The Cavalier's lustrous, silky coat requires little more than regular brushing and an occasional [bath](#) to keep him in beautiful condition. Brushing not only helps to keep the coat shiny and tangle-free but also serves as a full-body massage that the dog enjoys. [grooming](#) sessions enhance the dog's socialization and provide an opportunity to inspect the dog's whole body for any new or unusual bumps or other issues. The ears should be checked weekly for signs of [infection](#), and the [nails](#) should be trimmed at least once a month, as overgrown nails can cause pain and structural problems.

Weekly Brushing
4-5 Weeks Professional Bathing/Nails/Dremel/Ears/Sanitary/Dental care/Skin Conditioning and Bath

Cesky Terrier



- Temperament: [Clever, Adventurous, Family-Oriented](#)
- AKC Breed Popularity: Ranks 182 of 194
- Height: 10-13 inches
- Weight: 14-24 pounds
- Life Expectancy: 12-15 years
- Group: [Terrier Group](#)

GROOMING

Unlike grooming of some terrier breeds, hand stripping is not suggested for the Cesky's coat. Instead, the body is clipped. You should visit a professional groomer to be sure your dog is groomed correctly. In between groomings, as the Cesky coat does not shed dirt as some harder coats do, he will need regular baths. They tend to grow a lot of hair in the ears, and this should be removed during each grooming appointment to prevent an ear infection. Ears should be cleaned regularly to remove excess wax and other debris.

*Weekly Brushing
4-6 Weeks Professional Bathing/Nails/Dremel/Ears/Sanitary/Dental
care/Skin Conditioning and Bath*

Chihuahua



- Temperament: [Charming, Graceful, Sassy](#)
- AKC Breed Popularity: Ranks 30 of 194
- Height: 5-8 inches
- Weight: not exceeding 6 pounds
- Life Expectancy: 14-16 years
- Group: [Toy Group](#)

GROOMING

The two coat varieties of the Chihuahua have slightly different grooming needs. The smooth-coat Chihuahua will need only occasional brushing and regular baths to look dapper, while the longhaired variety should have his coat brushed at least once a week to avoid any tangles or mats. Both varieties should have their nails trimmed regularly. Good dental care is necessary and should include brushing your dog's teeth, and the vet might also recommend treats designed as part of a tooth-care program. Check the Chihuahua's ears regularly, and remove any excess wax or debris to avoid ear infections.

Bath/Brush—7-8 Weeks

Nails—Clipped, Filed and Dremeling, Ears, Teeth, Sanitary, Skin Conditioner

Chinese Crested



- Temperament: [Affectionate, Alert, Lively](#)
- AKC Breed Popularity: Ranks 77 of 194
- Height: 11-13 inches
- Weight: 8-12 pounds
- Life Expectancy: 13-18 years
- Group: [Toy Group](#)

GROOMING

You might think that the hairless variation of the Chinese Crested would require almost no grooming. After all, he has no hair. However, because his skin is exposed, the hairless Crested is prone to skin irritations, allergies, and sunburn. Careful grooming, including skin treatments specifically for your dog's skin type, sunscreen, and acne lotions are necessary to maintain a healthy pet. The Powderpuff version needs to be brushed daily to maintain his fluffy coat. The Powderpuff's coat is different than that of most other dogs. The undercoat is shorter than the longer overlay, which is the opposite of most haired breeds. This makes them easier to brush, but the coat can mat quickly.

*Weekly Brushing
4-7 Weeks Professional Bathing/Nails/Dremel/Ears/Sanitary/Dental care/Skin
Conditioning and Bath*

Chinese Shar-Pei



- Temperament: [Loyal, Independent, Calm](#)
- AKC Breed Popularity: Ranks 61 of 194
- Height: 18-20 inches
- Weight: 45-60 pounds
- Life Expectancy: 8-12 years
- Group: [Non-Sporting Group](#)

GROOMING

The Chinese Shar-Pei requires only minimal but professional grooming. They need a [bath](#) every five to six weeks. [Nails](#) should be trimmed often, and dremeled by a professional. The [ears](#) should be cleaned often, as well. Your groomer can do the nails and ears as a low cost maintenance visit between baths.

Weekly Brushing
6-7 Weeks Professional Bathing/Nails/Dremel/Ears/Sanitary/Dental care/Skin Conditioning and Bath

Chow Chow



- Temperament: [Dignified, Bright, Serious-Minded](#)
- AKC Breed Popularity: Ranks 74 of 194
- Height: 17-20 inches
- Weight: 45-70 pounds
- Life Expectancy: 8-12 years
- Group: [Non-Sporting Group](#)

GROOMING

Both the rough- and smooth-coated Chows have a profuse double coat and require regular [grooming](#). Thorough brushing at least twice per week and a monthly bath can keep the dog's skin and coat healthy. Be sure to immediately remedy any parasite issues, such as fleas or ticks. Include [eye and ear](#) care with each grooming, and trim [nails](#) regularly. Puppy coat and the coat around the head can become badly matted if not groomed regularly. Care must be taken to remove all mats and brush or comb through the undercoat. It is preferable to use a cool air dryer to thoroughly dry the Chow after a bath.

2-3 Times a Week Brushing
4-5 Weeks Professional Bathing/Nails/Dremel/Ears/Sanitary/Dental care/Skin Conditioning and Bath

Cocker Spaniel



- Temperament: [Gentle, Smart, Happy](#)
- AKC Breed Popularity: Ranks 29 of 194
- Height: 14.5-15.5 inches (male), 13.5-14.5 inches (female)
- Weight: 25-30 pounds (male), 20-25 pounds (female)
- Life Expectancy: 10-14 years
- Group: [Sporting Group](#)

GROOMING

Cocker Spaniels require regular, thorough [grooming](#). Sessions missed are not easily made up and may result in tangles or mats in the Cocker's coat. A professional-quality dog comb with fine and medium spacing for the is a necessity. You can follow combing with a gentle slicker brush, but the comb is key. Loose hair should be carefully removed with the comb, making sure you are clear and can see through to the skin everywhere. If you encounter snarls, do not pull through; rather, pick snarls apart, starting at the tips of the coat and then comb through. Be cautious when combing ears; the skin at the edges is thin and can be pierced by too-vigorous combing. The Cocker requires thorough [bathing](#) with quality dog shampoo. By a professional groomer. Thorough rinsing and re-rinsing are crucial, as soap residue can cause skin irritation. Dry carefully with a blow-dryer on not too hot a setting. Learn the procedure for cleaning and drying the ear canals. During bathing, check the Cocker's skin for any inflamed spots and get treatment. It is key to enlist the services of a professional groomer who is experienced in grooming the breed.

*Weekly Brushing
4-5 Weeks Professional Bathing/Nails/Dremel/Ears/Sanitary/Dental care/Skin
Conditioning and Bath*

Collie



- Temperament: [Devoted](#), [Graceful](#), [Proud](#)
- AKC Breed Popularity: Ranks 37 of 194
- Height: 24-26 inches (male), 22-24 inches (female)
- Weight: 60-75 pounds (male), 50-65 pounds (female)
- Life Expectancy: 12-14 years
- Group: [Herding Group](#)

GROOMING

Smooth Collies, while they won't mat, require regular grooming, as they have a double coat, and the undercoat needs brushing out during shedding periods. Rough Collies need attention to avoid matting, especially in certain areas such as behind the ears and elbows, and to remove loose undercoat. A weekly brushing down to the skin eliminates that problem and keeps the coat and skin healthy. If females are spayed, they do a big [shed](#) once a year; if intact, females shed about three months after their heat cycle, and males around their birthday, so those times require a little extra grooming.

1-2 Times a Week Brushing
Professional Groom & Bath Every 5-6 Weeks
Nails, Dremeling, Teeth, Ears, Coat Conditioning, Sanitary,
DeFURMinator 1-3x a year
Seasonal Shedding/Professional Bath & Groom Every 6-8 Weeks

Dachshund



- Temperament: [Friendly, Curious, Spunky](#)
- AKC Breed Popularity: Ranks 13 of 194
- Height: 8-9 inches (standard), 5-6 inches (miniature)
- Weight: 16-32 pounds (standard), 11 pounds & under (miniature)
- Life Expectancy: 12-16 years
- Group: [Hound Group](#)

GROOMING

Dachshunds are moderate shedders, relatively clean, and have little or no body odor. The breed's grooming needs vary with the three coat types. Smooth-coated Dachshunds are somewhat "wash and wear," needing little beyond a wipe with a towel or hound glove to look dapper. Longhaired Dachshunds may require more frequent [brushing](#), depending on the thickness of the coat. The Wirehaired coat can be plucked or hand-stripped several times a year to look its best, but beyond that is easy to maintain between groomings with occasional trimming of the beard and eyebrows and brushing or combing once or twice a week. All Dachshunds should have their [nails](#) trimmed every month.

Weekly Brushing
6-7 Weeks Professional Bathing/Nails/Dremel/Ears/Sanitary/Dental care/Skin Conditioning and Bath

Dandie Dinmont Terrier



- Temperament: [Independent, Smart, Proud](#)
- AKC Breed Popularity: Ranks 167 of 194
- Height: 8-11 inches
- Weight: 18-24 pounds
- Life Expectancy: 12-15 years
- Group: [Terrier Group](#)

GROOMING

The Dandie Dinmont Terrier does not shed, but that doesn't mean he requires no grooming. His coat must be stripped of dead hair at least a couple of times a year. This can be done by hand by his groomer. Long hairs can be plucked daily from the coat using thumb and forefinger to maintain a neat appearance. The Dandie will also need to be brushed daily to avoid matting [Toenails](#) should be trimmed at least monthly, and care of the ears and teeth should be included in maintenance grooming.

Daily Brushing
Grooming Every 4-6 Weeks
Coat/nails/Dremel/sanitary/ears/eyes/teeth