

Puli Puppy And Dog Information

The Puli is an amazing looking sheepherding dog. They seem to do well in all climates but like cooler weather better. They can live in an apartment as long as they can get frequent walks. They like other dogs and pets but may try to herd them. The same goes for children. As a reminder, never leave a child unsupervised with a puppy or dog. They have a gorgeous coat that takes a lot of grooming time.

*Approximate Adult Size. The approximate adult size (two years old or older) of the male Puli is 16 to 17.5 inches to the withers (highest point of the shoulder) and 25 to 30 pounds. The female ranges from 14.5 to 16 inches to the withers and 20 to 30 pounds.

*Special Health Considerations. Most dog breeds have certain inherited health problems associated with that specific breed and the Puli is no exception. Be on the look out for eye inflammations, Canine Hip Dysplasia (genetic based looseness in the hip joint that can lead to arthritis pain and lameness), and Cataracts. This disease list is an informative guideline only. Other diseases may also be significant threats, please contact your veterinarian for a complete list.

She should visit the veterinarian several times in the first year for shots, boosters and check up. Then, as an adult, she should visit the veterinarian yearly for shots and check up. As she gets older, six years and on, she should visit the veterinarian twice a year for check ups and shots. Remember; avoid feeding your dog sweets.

*Grooming. The Puli has a double coat. The inner coat is dense, wooly and soft. The outer coat is curly or wavy. They have special grooming needs that includes separating intermingled hair cords by hand. This breed takes intensive grooming work.

Her ears should be checked once a week and be kept clean. If you have her professionally groomed, make sure ear cleaning and inspection is part of the package. No water or excess fluid should get in the dogs ears, and do not try to irrigate the ears. Ear cleaning is too complicated and critical to instruct here. Look for hair growing in the ear canal, excess wax, or moisture. If her ears have a discharge, foul odor or she seems to be in distress and you suspect an infection, or tumor, consult your veterinarian.

Her teeth should be brushed at least twice a week with toothpaste and toothbrush designed for dogs. Brushing removes the accumulation of plaque and tartar which can cause cavities (rarely) and periodontal disease. Dog periodontal disease can lead to pain, loss of teeth, bad breath and other serious disease.

Her toenails may need to be examined for growth and clipped regularly. The toenails of the rear feet grow slower than the toenails of the front feet.

*Life Span. The Puli can live between 14 and 15 plus years with proper nutrition, medical care and excellent living conditions.

*History. The Puli comes from Hungary where they were used to herd sheep. They were first registered by the American Kennel Association in 1936.

Some Registries:

*Puli Club of America

*UKC United Kennel Club

*NKC National Kennel Club

*CKC Continental Kennel Club

*APRI Americas Pet Registry Inc.

*AKC American Kennel Club

*FCI Federation Cynologique Internationale

*NZKC New Zealand Kennel Club

*KCGB = Kennel Club of Great Britain

*ANKC = Australian National Kennel Club

*ACR = American Canine Registry

Litter Size: 4 to 7 Puli puppies

Category: Herding.

Terms To Describe: Alert, compact, vigorous, active, intelligent, loving, affectionate

***SPECIAL GOOD POINTS**

Very good watch dog.

Very good guard dog.

Does not shed.

Some suggest being sure that you are not allergic to them.

***SPECIAL BAD POINTS**

May not tolerate heat.

Extremely energetic breed.

*Other Names Known By: Pulik, Hungarian Puli, Hungarian Water Dog

*Every dog is an individual so not everything in this information may be correct for your dog. This information is meant as a good faith guideline only.

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