

Yorkshire Terrier Puppy And Dog Information

The Yorkshire Terrier prefers a warm climate and plenty of exercise, although most of it can be indoors. This little dog often neglects to consider her small size when challenging adversaries. Most of them get along well with other dogs and pets, especially if well socialized when young. They like children but small children may injure them. As a reminder, never leave a child unsupervised with a puppy or dog.

*Approximate Adult Size. The approximate adult size (two years old or older) of the Yorkshire Terrier is 6 to 9 inches to the withers (highest point of the shoulder) and 3 to 7 pounds.

*Special Health Considerations. Most dog breeds have certain inherited health problems associated with that specific breed and the Yorkshire Terrier is no exception. Be on the look out for Luxating Patella, cataracts, tracheal collapse (careful with the collar), eye irritations, and dental disease. 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 Yorkshire Terrier should have regular professional grooming. In addition, she should be brushed regularly. Brushing will help her maintain a clean and healthy coat, help you keep a closer eye on her health and strengthen your emotional bond with her.

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 Yorkshire Terrier can live between 12 and 15 years with proper nutrition, medical care and excellent living conditions.

*History. The Yorkshire Terrier come from Great Britain where they were used as a lap dog and house pet. They were first registered by the American Kennel Association in 1936.

Some Registries:

*Yorkshire 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: 2 to 3 Yorkshire Terrier puppies

Category: Toy

Terms To Describe: Self-importance, vigor, energetic, brave, clever, affectionate, spunky, independent,

*SPECIAL GOOD POINTS

Make great watch dogs.

Sheds almost no hair.

*SPECIAL BAD POINTS

Make poor guard dogs.

*Other Names Known By: Yorkies,

*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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