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Alaskan Malamute

Canis lupus familiaris

The Alaskan Malamute is a large, powerful breed of domestic dog originally bred for its strength and endurance to haul heavy freight as a sled dog in the Arctic. With a thick double coat, erect ears,…

Quick facts

Classification: Mammal
Family: Canidae
Habitat: Arctic and subarctic regions, domestic environments
Diet: Omnivore
Conservation status: Least Concern
Lifespan: 10-14 years
Weight: 34–43 kg (75–95 lbs)
Scientific name: Canis lupus familiaris

Did you know?

- The Alaskan Malamute is one of the oldest Arctic sled dog breeds, developed by the native Mahlemut people of Alaska thousands of years ago.
- Alaskan Malamutes have been used in polar expeditions and even served in World War II as search and rescue dogs. Their signature howling vocalization…

What I learned

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