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Animal Fact Sheet

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Cairn Terrier

Canis lupus familiaris

The Cairn Terrier is a small, hardy breed originally developed in the Scottish Highlands for hunting vermin among cairns, or stone piles. Recognized for its shaggy, weather-resistant double coat and …

Quick facts

Classification: Mammal
Family: Canidae
Habitat: Domestic; originally rural and rocky highlands
Diet: Omnivore
Conservation status: Least Concern
Lifespan: 12-15 years
Weight: 6-8 kg (13-18 lbs)
Scientific name: Canis lupus familiaris

Did you know?

- The breed's name comes from the stone cairns in Scotland where they originally hunted for rodents.
- Cairn Terriers gained worldwide fame as 'Toto' in the film 'The Wizard of Oz.' They have a remarkable sense of smell and are known for their digging …

What I learned

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