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Chesapeake Bay Retriever

Canis lupus familiaris

The Chesapeake Bay Retriever is a robust and hardworking breed originally developed in the United States for retrieving waterfowl in the challenging conditions of the Chesapeake Bay. Known for its de...

Quick facts

Classification: Mammal

Family: Canidae

Habitat: Coastal wetlands and freshwater environments (primarily as a domestic and working dog)

Diet: Omnivore

Conservation status: Least Concern

Lifespan: 10-13 years

Weight: 55–80 lbs (25–36 kg)

Scientific name: *Canis lupus familiaris*

Did you know?

- The breed's origins trace back to two Newfoundland dogs rescued from a shipwreck in 1807, whose descendants were bred with local retrievers to create...
- Chesapeake Bay Retrievers have a unique oily, water-resistant coat that helps them retrieve in icy waters. They are one of the few American-bred dog ...

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