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Animal Fact Sheet

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Irish Wolfhound

Canis lupus familiaris

The Irish Wolfhound is a giant breed of domestic dog, originally developed in Ireland for hunting wolves and large game. Recognized for its impressive height and gentle temperament, it is among the t…

Quick facts

Classification: Mammal
Family: Canidae
Habitat: Domestic; historically open countryside and grasslands
Diet: Carnivore
Conservation status: Least Concern
Lifespan: 6-10 years
Weight: 48–82 kg (105–180 lbs)
Scientific name: Canis lupus familiaris

Did you know?

- Irish Wolfhounds were so highly valued in ancient times that they were frequently given as gifts to royalty and other nobility across Europe.
- Irish Wolfhounds were once bred to hunt wolves and elk in Ireland, and their history dates back to antiquity. They are famed for their gentle and pat…

What I learned

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