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Animal Fact Sheet

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Keeshond

Canis lupus familiaris

The Keeshond is a medium-sized dog breed known for its thick, plush coat, distinctive 'spectacles' around the eyes, and expressive face. Originally bred as a companion and watchdog on Dutch barges, t…

Quick facts

Classification: Mammal
Family: Canidae
Habitat: Domestic, originally bred for life on river barges and in temperate climates
Diet: Omnivore
Conservation status: Least Concern
Lifespan: 12-15 years
Weight: 16-20 kg (35-44 lbs)
Scientific name: Canis lupus familiaris

Did you know?

- The Keeshond was once known as the 'Dutch Barge Dog' due to its popularity as a companion and watchdog on canal boats in the Netherlands.
- Keeshonden are famous for their 'spectacles', the dark markings and shading around their eyes that give them a distinctive expression. They served as…

What I learned

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