

Animal Fact Sheet

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Pekingese Dog

Canis lupus familiaris

The Pekingese is a small, regal toy breed of dog that originated in ancient China, where it was cherished by Chinese royalty for centuries. Distinguished by its long, flowing coat, compact body, and ...

Quick facts

Classification: Mammal

Family: Canidae

Habitat: Domesticated/Urban

Diet: Omnivore

Conservation status: Least Concern

Lifespan: 12-15 years

Weight: 3.2–6.4 kg (7–14 lbs)

Scientific name: *Canis lupus familiaris*

Did you know?

- Legend has it the Pekingese was created by Buddha shrinking a lion down to dog size, giving rise to its 'lion dog' nickname.
- Pekingese were once considered sacred in China and were owned exclusively by royalty. Their unique rolling gait is due to their bowed limbs, a breed ...

What I learned
