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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

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