

Animal Fact Sheet

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Portuguese Water Dog

Canis lupus familiaris

The Portuguese Water Dog is a highly intelligent and energetic breed originally developed to assist fishermen along the coast of Portugal. Renowned for its swimming ability, this breed has a waterpro...

Quick facts

Classification: Mammal

Family: Canidae

Habitat: Coastal regions and human-inhabited areas near water

Diet: Omnivore

Conservation status: Least Concern

Lifespan: 10-14 years

Weight: 35-60 lbs (16-27 kg)

Scientific name: *Canis lupus familiaris*

Did you know?

- A Portuguese Water Dog named Bo lived in the White House with the Obama family, bringing international attention to the breed.
- Portuguese Water Dogs have webbed toes that make them powerful swimmers. The breed has a unique, hypoallergenic coat that requires regular grooming. ...

What I learned
