

# Animal Fact Sheet

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## Shiba Inu

*Canis lupus familiaris*

The Shiba Inu is a small, agile dog breed native to Japan, originally bred for hunting small game in mountainous terrain. Recognized for its fox-like appearance, curled tail, and spirited personality...

### Quick facts

**Classification:** Mammal

**Family:** Canidae

**Habitat:** Domesticated; originally mountainous and forested regions of Japan

**Diet:** Omnivore

**Conservation status:** Least Concern

**Lifespan:** 12-16 years

**Weight:** 7-11 kg (15-24 lbs)

**Scientific name:** *Canis lupus familiaris*

### Did you know?

- The Shiba Inu is the most popular companion dog breed in Japan and has become a global internet sensation thanks to their expressive faces and memes.
- Shiba Inus are famous for the "Shiba scream," a loud, high-pitched vocalization they make when excited or displeased. Their plush double coats help t...

### What I learned

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