

Animal Fact Sheet

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Tosa Inu

Canis lupus familiaris

The Tosa Inu, also known simply as the Tosa, is a large and powerful dog breed originating from Japan. Originally bred as a fighting dog, the Tosa combines the size and strength of Western breeds wit...

Quick facts

Classification: Mammal

Family: Canidae

Habitat: Domesticated/various human environments

Diet: Carnivore

Conservation status: Not Evaluated

Lifespan: 10-12 years

Weight: 45-90 kg

Scientific name: *Canis lupus familiaris*

Did you know?

- Tosa Inus are banned or restricted in several countries due to their history as fighting dogs and their imposing size.
- The Tosa Inu is the only dog breed still legally used in Japanese dog fighting, though the sport is now much less common and regulated. Despite its i...

What I learned

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