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Animal Fact Sheet

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West Highland White Terrier

Canis lupus familiaris

The West Highland White Terrier, affectionately known as the 'Westie,' is a small, sturdy and energetic breed of dog originating from Scotland. Recognized for its distinctive bright white double coat…

Quick facts

Classification: Mammal
Family: Canidae
Habitat: Domestic environments, often found in urban, suburban, and rural homes
Diet: Omnivore
Conservation status: Domesticated
Lifespan: 12-16 years
Weight: 6-10 kg (13-22 lbs)
Scientific name: Canis lupus familiaris

Did you know?

- West Highland White Terriers were bred specifically to be white so hunters could easily spot them in the field and not mistake them for foxes.
- Westies have a waterproof double coat that protects them when burrowing underground. Despite their small size, they have a strong prey drive and bold…

What I learned

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