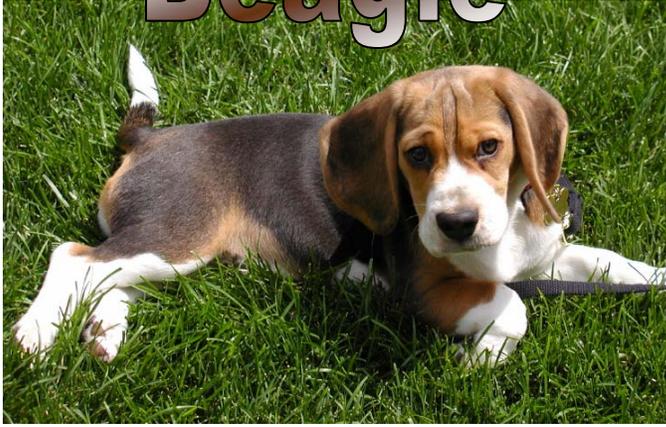


# Beagle



The following information and opinions are based solely on Vladae, Bonny, A.C.T. and The Dog Wizard Inc.'s knowledge and experience and may not apply to every dog belonging to this breed. The overall temperament of a Beagle is based on many variables, which include: genetics, environment and the behavior of its owner(s). These variables can have a dramatic effect on the outcome of a dogs' performance and behavior. Please do your research carefully before selecting any breed of dog for you or your family!

The Dog Wizard Inc. and A.C.T. accept no responsibility for misinformation and are not liable for any injuries or actions that are a result of this information.

## HISTORICAL BACKGROUND:

The Beagle dates back to 200 AD., originally to hunt/trail small game by scent. This breed was developed in Great Britain and was hunted as packs or braces for the pleasure of the sport. Beagles declined in popularity in the mid-18th century, when hunters were looking for a more exciting sport. Foxhunting was growing in popularity and the beagles were crossed with other scent hounds to develop the Foxhounds and Harriers. The Beagle was revived in 1830 when it was developed into a dual purpose dog, for both confirmation and hunting abilities.

**BREED APPEARANCE:** The Beagle is a small to medium size dog and comes in two varieties; first is height up to 13 inches, and weighs up to 20 pounds, the second is 13 to 15 inches and weighs 20 – 30 pounds. Their head is long, with ears wide and when stretched out they touch the nose; Eyes large, set well apart of a brown or hazel color. Chest deep and wide; short back, with a medium long tail curving up. The coat is medium length, white base with markings on the ears, saddle and tail in reds, browns, blacks etc.

## WHY YOU WOULD LOVE THIS BREED?

Cute, amiable nature, adaptable, curious, and love puzzles they can solve.

## WHY YOU WOULD NOT LOVE THIS BREED?

If you took the leash off in the obedience ring, he would run off to hunt something. Come, sit and stay are not in his vocabulary! If badly bred, they can be very aggressive.

# Perfect Pet Rating



## Overall Breed Rating



5 Paw Rating: 1 = Poor, 2 = Adequate, 3 = Average, 4 = Good, 5 = Excellent

*Rating system for perfect pet includes the following categories: Will this breed bite my child? Would they kill other animals? Are they easy to train?*

*Rating system for overall breed rating includes all categories.*

**PLUSES:** They are friendly, happy and like to be the center of any household activity.

**MINUSES:** They like to howl and love to eat. Any food left out is fair game to the Beagle! They have been bred for medical and research laboratories.

## WHO SHOULD NOT OWN THIS BREED?

If you don't have the time to train this dog, don't have a fenced yard and hate the great outdoors, just look the other way and choose a different breed.

## DO THEY SHED?

They have a top coat and undercoat. The female sheds after each heat period, the male sheds once a year, usually in the heat of the summer.

## WILL THIS BREED BITE MY CHILD?

They are good with children but be cautious around food, they take that very seriously and may nip at a child to compete for it. **EXTREME CAUTION AND SUPERVISION IS ALWAYS RECOMMENDED WHEN CHILDREN AND DOGS ARE TOGETHER!**

## WILL THEY KILL OTHER ANIMALS?

They are used for hunting in packs and chasing down rabbits. If you don't have rabbits around, they are usually fine with animals.

## WHAT IS THEIR ENERGY LEVEL?

They have tons of energy and daily exercise is **MANDATORY!** If you want your children entertained, send them outside with the dog!

## ARE THEY EASY TO TRAIN?

No, the Beagle is easily distracted by scents, is an independent thinker, and not easily motivated to train.

## WHAT ARE THE HEALTH CONCERNS?

Beagles may experience: Hip dysphasia, Cancer, Deafness, Vestibular Disease, Demodicosis, Umbilical Hernia, Epilepsy, eye problems, thyroid, and Knee disorders. Buying from a reputable breeder is always advisable and will help to lessen the chances for health problems and congenital defects.