

Dachshund

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: The Dachshund loves to play and is very loyal to its master. This is a very clean dog and grooming requirements are minimal.

MINUSES: This breed is stubborn, difficult to train and housebreak.

WHO SHOULD NOT OWN THIS BREED?

This breed requires daily exercise. So if you don't have the time to take it for a couple walks per day, the Dachshund is not a good choice for you. This breed needs to bond with its master so being away from home for long periods of time, or keeping this dog outdoors can be detrimental to its wellbeing. This dog also needs a strong handler, so you must be one to rule with your head, not your heart!

DO THEY SHED?



This dog sheds very little. Grooming is required only when necessary.

WILL THIS BREED BITE MY CHILD?



The Dachshund is good with children but early socialization is suggested. **EXTREME CAUTION AND SUPERVISION IS ALWAYS RECOMMENDED WHEN CHILDREN AND DOGS ARE TOGETHER!**

WOULD THEY KILL OTHER ANIMALS?



This breed has a strong prey drive due to its heritage. Early socialization with other dogs is **MANDATORY!**

WHAT IS THEIR ENERGY LEVEL?



This breed is very active and loves to play. Two walks per day, each approximately 1/2 mile, will be sufficient.

ARE THEY EASY TO TRAIN?



This dog is difficult to train. So, training must be consistent, positive, and ongoing.

WHAT ARE THE HEALTH CONCERNS?



Overall, this dog is very healthy. The biggest worry is back problems. Preventing them from jumping off furniture and keeping them slim is very important. Buying from a reputable breeder is always advisable and will help to lessen the chances for health problems and congenital defects.



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HISTORICAL BACKGROUND: This breed was developed in Germany to hunt and kill badger. The name, Dachshund, stands for "Badger Dog."

BREED APPEARANCE: The standard Dachshund is about 9" high and weighs between 16 - 32 pounds. The miniature version weighs approximately 11 lbs. Both sizes have three coat variations: smooth, wirehaired, and longhaired. The coat colors most commonly are black and tan or solid red. Their coat patterns are: dapple, double dapple, brindle, sable and piebald. They are well balanced with short legs and are low to the ground.

WHY YOU WOULD LOVE THIS BREED:

This breed is very brave and playful. They love to hunt and to play an important role in your family functions. They bond very closely with their master - so closely that you will think you have a second shadow! They also have a long life span and can live up to sixteen years!

WHY YOU WOULD NOT LOVE THIS BREED:

The Dachshund is independent, stubborn, and plays by its own rules! They also tend to bark a lot and are difficult to train and housebreak.

