

Great Pyreneese



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variables can have a dramatic effect on the outcome of a dog's performance and behavior. Please do your research carefully before selecting any breed of dog for you or your family!

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HISTORICAL BACKGROUND: This breed originated in southwestern Europe where they guarded flocks. Mainly viewed as a mountain dog, the Great Pyreneese is known as the Pyrenean Mountain dog in the United Kingdom.

BREED APPEARANCE: The Great Pyreneese is a large dog standing approximately 25 – 32 inches at the withers. These dogs should weigh between 85 – 100 lbs. Their coat color is white or white with gray, badger, reddish brown or tan markings covering no more than 1/3 of their body.

WHY YOU WOULD LOVE THIS BREED: This breed is calm and gentle and very loyal to its family, including other animal companions. The Great Pyreneese is a very confident dog and tends to be a quiet dog. They love to be outside.

WHY YOU WOULD NOT LOVE THIS BREED: This breed tends to be territorial and over protective of its family. Early training and socialization is mandatory in order to establish leadership and control. They are also very independent and strong willed, which again can be a problem if you are not the boss of this dog.

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 tend to be quiet and affectionate and love to be outdoors.

MINUSES: City living is not recommended for this dog. The Great Pyreneese needs to be able to roam outside and have plenty of room to relax inside. They are strong willed, territorial and may become over protective.

WHO SHOULD NEVER OWN THIS BREED?

This is a large dog who needs to be owned by someone who can control its size and strength. If you are not going to be the boss of this dog, please choose another breed. This dog requires professional training.

DO THEY SHED?

They are a moderate shedder.

WILL THIS BREED BITE MY CHILD?

These dogs are not known to bite children they are raised with. However, EXTREME CAUTION AND SUPERVISION IS ALWAYS RECOMMENDED WHEN CHILDREN AND DOGS ARE TOGETHER!

WOULD THEY KILL OTHER ANIMALS?

They do very well with other pets and animals.

WHAT IS THEIR ENERGY LEVEL?

They are typically a quiet dog but require daily exercise.

ARE THEY EASY TO TRAIN?

These dogs can be strong willed but are not difficult to train. Training as a puppy is highly recommended in order to control territorial issues.

WHAT ARE THE HEALTH CONCERNS?

Great Pyreneese are prone to Degenerative Myelopathy, Canine Lymphoma, Bloat, Luxating Patella, Hypothyroidism and Osteosarcoma. Buying from a reputable breeder is always advisable and will help to lessen the chances for health problems and congenital defects.