

Yorshire Terrier



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, good watch dogs, and fit well in an apartment.

MINUSES: They are bold, fearless, may bark a lot especially if left alone, all of which can be hard to handle in such a small package.

WHO SHOULD NOT OWN THIS BREED?

If you prefer country life with lots of animals and lots of children, this dog is not for you.

DO THEY SHED?

The Yorkshire Terrier requires intensive grooming to keep their coat untangled. They shed very little.

WILL THIS BREED BITE MY CHILD?

Small children may hurt, tease or let the dog believe that the dog is in charge, and get bitten. These dogs are better with older children.

EXTREME CAUTION AND SUPERVISION IS ALWAYS RECOMMENDED WHEN CHILDREN AND DOGS ARE TOGETHER!

WOULD THEY KILL OTHER ANIMALS?

They don't realize how small they are and either play or challenge animals much larger than they are. They are likely to be the animal hurt because they often cannot finish what they start! ☺

WHAT IS THEIR ENERGY LEVEL?

They are active, but can independently exercise themselves.

ARE THEY EASY TO TRAIN?

Intelligent, bold, learn quickly but are not good problem solvers and become bored easily. A good quality treat could add to their health and pleasure.

WHAT ARE THE HEALTH CONCERNS?

Eye problems, hip-joint disorders, tooth decay and gum disease, collapsing tracheae. 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: One theory is the mill workers bred several terriers together to make the Yorkshire Terrier of today. They needed a small dog to kill vermin at the mills and in coal mines of Britain. The Yorkie was brought to the United States in 1880.

BREED APPEARANCE: He is the second smallest dog at 7 - 8 inches tall and weighing an incredible 7 pounds. The Yorkie has long silky straight hair which is parted in the middle at the head and all the way down its back touching the floor. The tail is medium length and stands straight up higher than his back. His coat is mostly a steel blue black with markings on his head and legs of tan.

WHY YOU WOULD LOVE THIS BREED: They make ideal apartment dogs and are easily exercised inside. They are very popular among celebrities for their beauty and size. Good watch dogs, they bark to alert you of company or intruders.

WHY YOU WOULD NOT LOVE THIS BREED: Their coat requires long hours of grooming & conditioning. These dogs are easily broken or damaged by inappropriate handling. For that reason and snapping when irritated or hurt, they are not good with small children. They will also attack dogs much larger than they are. Yorkies are so small that when outside birds of prey can mistake them as rabbits.