

## Terrier

### Australian Terrier

The breed was probably developed from native British terriers taken to Australia by settlers in the 19th Century – It is thought that the Scottish Terrier, Skye and Cairn played their part in the breed's development. He was used by settlers to keep down rodents and other vermin in their new territory.

Breed Group	Terrier
Vulnerable Breed	No
Size	Small
How much exercise?	Up to 1 hour per day
Length of coat	Medium
How much grooming?	More than once a week
Supposedly sheds?	Yes
Town or Country	Either
Type of home	Flat, Small or Large House
Minimum garden size	Small/Medium
Lifespan	Over 12 Years

## Health Information

You may be aware that some breeds of dog and their crosses can be susceptible to inherited disease. Of course you want to be sure that the dog you choose is as healthy as possible, and you would like to know that it has not inherited any undesirable disease-causing genes from its parents. There is some help in that DNA tests for diseases in purebred dogs are available for some conditions in some breeds, but there are not very many such tests just yet! There are also, however, a number of clinical veterinary screening schemes that dog breeders can use to increase the probability of producing healthy puppies.

Details of the various screening schemes, both veterinary and DNA, that are available to breeders in the UK can be found at [www.thekennelclub.org.uk/doghealth](http://www.thekennelclub.org.uk/doghealth)

Potential dog owners should be aware that, at present, the application of various health screening results to breeding programmes is not always straightforward, and breeders may make choices for various reasons. A responsible breeder though, will always be willing to discuss relevant health issues with you. Breed clubs are often useful sources of breed-specific information.

## What Screening is relevant for the Australian Terrier?

There are not currently any veterinary screening schemes or DNA tests for disease relevant to this breed under the Assured Breeder Scheme, however you should still ask breeders and refer to breed clubs about health issues in the breed.

### Australian Terrier Clubs

Name	Telephone
Australian Terrier Club Of Great Britain	01283 814876
Southern Counties Australian Terrier Club	01252 518495



### Assured Breeders

Name	Member since	Phone	Accolades
<b>Miss S G Stoddart</b> Duns, Berwickshire	28/02/2011	01890 818003	
<b>Mrs S L &amp; Miss G L Goodwin</b> Clowne, Chesterfield, Derbyshire	22/06/2016	07788 557806	
<b>Mesdames C A Thompson &amp; J A Laphorne</b> Pinner, Middlesex	31/01/2010	07568 447698	
<b>Mrs S A McCourt</b> Cannock, Staffordshire	30/09/2008	01543 423102	



**Accolade of Excellence**

Denotes a significant contribution to a breed.



**Studbook Achievement**

Bred at least 3 dogs listed in the Studbook.



**Breed Club Membership**

Current member of one or more breed clubs



**Breeder Experience**

5 or more litters registered with the Kennel Club