

## Utility

### Tibetan Spaniel

This was another breed favoured by Tibetan monks as companions and watchdogs and they were often found together with the Lhasas in the monasteries.

The title of spaniel was given to the breed by early European visitors in Tibet who likened it to a toy spaniel and the Kennel Club later adopted this name. The first Tibetan Spaniels arrived in the UK in late Victorian times but it was not until the end of World War II that the breed became more numerous. The breed became firmly established in the UK when Lord and Lady Wakefield returned with their dogs which they had acquired when living in western Tibet. Along with their friends, Colonel and Mrs Hawkins, who had also brought their dogs with them, they provided the nucleus for the breed's development. The Tibetan Spaniel Association was formed in 1957.

Breed Group	Utility
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 Tibetan Spaniel?

Kennel Club Assured Breeders must use the following screening schemes for sires and dams BVA/KC

- Eye testing

Kennel Club Assured Breeders are strongly recommended to use the following screening schemes and/or advice for sires and dams

- Bitches not to produce more than five litters in their lifetime
- Bitches not to produce more than one litter in a twelve month period

The list above is not necessarily comprehensive. Breed clubs and experienced breeders are useful sources of information on health issues in the breed. All breeds have a Breed Health Coordinator.

## Tibetan Spaniel Clubs

Name	Telephone
Northern Tibetan Spaniel Club	
South East & East Anglian Tibetan Spaniel Society	01953 605439
South Western Tibetan Spaniel Club	01235 850289
Tibetan Spaniel Association	01792 470417
Tibetan Spaniel Club Of Scotland	01383 514633

## Tibetan Spaniel Rescue Organisations

Name	Telephone
Northern Tibetan Spaniel Club Rescue	01709 522815
Tibetan Spaniel Association Rescue	01792 470417
Tibetan Spaniel Club of Scotland Rescue	01383 514633

Name	Telephone
Tibetan Spaniel Club of Scotland Rescue	01573 223843
Tibetan Spaniel Club of Scotland Rescue	07511 169340



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## Assured Breeders

Name	Member since	Phone	Accolades
<b>Mrs S Bridges</b> Penzance, Cornwall	09/10/2014	01736 788930	
<b>Misses J C &amp; B A Wallis Baga</b> Boston, Lincolnshire	22/12/2015	01205 609604	
<b>Mrs D M Parkes</b> Grantham, Lincolnshire	08/06/2015	07812 992361	
<b>Mrs E M Minto</b> Skegness, Lincolnshire	31/03/2010	01754 811232	
<b>Mrs E Dunhill</b> Worksop, Nottinghamshire	30/04/2018	01909 486628	
<b>Misses H J Simper &amp; E A Scoates</b> Didcot, Oxfordshire	31/12/2008	01235 850289	



**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