

Utility

Japanese Spitz

The Japanese Spitz is a relatively modern breed, being recognised by the Japanese Kennel Club in 1948 and then by Kennel Club in 1977. The Japanese Spitz is a white dog and it is thought by some that Samoyed and White German Spitz were influential in the founding of the breed in the early years of the 20th Century. They became known outside Japan after some were exported to Sweden and from there to other European countries.

Breed Group	Utility
Vulnerable Breed	No
Size	Small
How much exercise?	Up to 1 hour per day
Length of coat	Medium
How much grooming?	Every day
Supposedly sheds?	Yes
Town or Country	Either
Type of home	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

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 Japanese Spitz?

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.

Japanese Spitz Clubs

Name	Telephone
Japanese Spitz Club	0118 973 4691
Northern Japanese Spitz Club	01642 043759

Japanese Spitz Rescue Organisations

Name	Telephone
Japanese Spitz Rescue	01628 665436



THE KENNEL CLUB
ACCREDITED BREEDER SCHEME

Assured Breeders

Name	Member since	Phone	Accolades
Mrs D A Prout Stonehouse, Gloucestershire	04/10/2011	01453 822845	  
Mr S G & Mrs J A Edmondson Bolton, Lancashire	02/07/2012	07788 236082	
Mr R A & Mrs K Aston & Mrs A C Bowen Telford, Shropshire	13/12/2016	07971 554974	  
Mrs M Fallas Leeds, West Yorkshire	31/03/2006	01132 886180	  



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
