

German Spitz (Klein)

The German Spitz breeds are thought to be descendants of larger spitz dogs brought from Scandinavia by the Vikings.

The Germans divide the breed into several sizes: two of these are recognised by the Kennel Club; the larger size the Mittel and smaller Klein. They share the same Breed Standard, divided only by size. Any colour or combination of colours is permitted which is part of the breed's attraction. Highly intelligent and full of character, they have become very popular.

The German Spitz is the ancestor of the Pomeranian, the smallest of the Spitz breeds.

What health screening is currently relevant?

Kennel Club Accredited Breeders must use, or are strongly recommended to use, the following screening schemes and/or advice for sires and dams:

- **Eye testing**



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