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dog breed guide...

## English Springer Spaniel

The Springer Spaniel is one of the oldest branches of the spaniel family tree. The typical Springer Spaniel is friendly, quick to learn, eager to please and willing to obey. Today they are used in a professional capacity as well as family pets. The police and armed forces use them as sniffer dogs in order to find drugs, weapons and money. They are also used to flush out pheasants, rabbits and other game birds and then retrieve. They are a highly active dog and do require a lot of exercise.

### Temperament

They are a very friendly breed of dog and make good pets for a number of people including young families. They certainly enjoy being let off the lead to go and explore in the undergrowth and hedges. They've got plenty of energy to burn and a good healthy diet will help them thrive when out on 'walkies'. Make sure that you have plenty of doggie shampoo and clean towels as the Springer loves to launch into water at any available chance and run through muddy puddles.

### Size and Coat

The height of a Springer can vary depending whether they are show bred or field bred. Show bred 46-51cm and on average weigh between 23-25kg. The field bred dogs tend to be a bit stockier. The most common coats are black and white or liver and white.

### Life Expectancy

12-14 years