



CANINE BREED DETERMINATION

YOUR DOG'S UNIQUE DNA



SQUASH

level

2



Australian Shepherd

level

4



Border Collie

level

4



Schnauzer

level

2



Australian Shepherd

40% - 60%

An excellent companion, the Australian Shepherd, or "Aussie", is easy going and loves to play. They always remain puppies at heart. They are intelligent, eager to please, and seem to sense what is expected of them.

Australian Shepherds were originally bred as herding dogs, specifically to herd livestock. They are working dogs at heart and shine in a home where their intelligence and energy are put to use. Aussies do not know the meaning of couch potato, so they require plenty of exercise to keep busy. If there isn't a job to do, an Australian Shepherd may just invent one - herding the kids or other animals, chasing cars, or destroying the house.

Not only are Aussies amazing herders, they also excel in competitive dog sports such as agility and flyball as well as service jobs like a guide dog, hearing dog, or search and rescue dog. Their background in herding makes them extremely loyal companions. They are aggressive when working with livestock, but gentle with humans. They can be quite protective of their home and family, though, and can be aloof with strangers. Aussies tend to bark if they hear or see something suspicious so they make great watchdogs.

Their bright and loving personality make Australian Shepherds great family dogs (just be sure to teach them not to herd the kids) or a dog for someone with an active lifestyle.

+ Major Health Concerns

The merle Australian Shepherd carries a gene which may result in blindness or deafness. Some are prone to [hip dysplasia](#). They may suffer from [Collie Eye Anomaly \(CEA\)](#).

- Interesting Facts

Despite its name, the breed, commonly known as an Aussie, did not originate in Australia and is American.

It is thought this breed was developed from Collies and Shepherd type dogs imported to America with shipments of sheep.

Average Weight:	Average Height:	Average Life Expectancy:	Breed Group:
40-65 pounds	18-23 inches	12-15 years	Herding Group

level

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Border Collie

10% - 25%

Outgoing, friendly and affectionate with friends, the Border Collie is reserved with strangers. They are highly intelligent, very motivated, enjoy working, and may become neurotic if not given enough to do.

Bred as a sheep herder, the Border Collie is a tried and true working dog. They take their jobs very seriously, whether that be herding sheep, performing in agility contests, or simply learning a new command.

Border Collies have an unnatural amount of energy and stamina. They are definitely not couch potatoes and they always need a job to do. They possess a "workaholic" attitude that can be overwhelming to someone who is looking for a laid-back dog. Because the Border Collie is a herding dog, they have a strong urge to gather a flock such as children, squirrels, cats, or anything else that moves.

Their instinct to nudge, nip, and bark must be redirected as it cannot be trained out of them. They are not usually nervous or aggressive, though. If given a task such as competing in dog sports or herding, though, it is manageable.

Border Collies are very intelligent and sensitive which makes them easy to train. They have an uncanny ability to know what you are asking of them before you even ask it. They make great pets for people who live an active lifestyle or for those looking to compete in dog sports.

+ Major Health Concerns

The Border Collie is one of the healthiest of all breeds. They have no known genetic defects, although deafness and allergies may occur in older dogs.

- Interesting Facts

Border Collies are often cited as the most intelligent of all dogs. They are even considered workaholics.

Average Weight:	Average Height:	Average Life Expectancy:	Breed Group:
30-55 pounds	18-22 inches	12-15 years	Herding Group

level

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Schnauzer

10% - 25%

The Schnauzer is an active, friendly and playful breed. They are highly intelligent dogs but can be a bit stubborn. Schnauzers were bred to be guard dogs, ratters, and all-purpose dogs on German farms. Today, they make a great family companion.

Schnauzers are known to carry themselves with self-importance. They can be mischievous and are quite clever. They are fast learners and eager to please. They are often said to be a dog with a human brain. They do have strong personalities, though, and will take advantage of you whenever possible. If you don't establish yourself as the leader, they will step in and be one. Schnauzers are athletic and agile, excelling in performance sports and also as a therapy dog. They make great family pets, especially when socialized with children at an early age.

Schnauzers make great watchdogs thanks their protective and territorial nature. They are a devoted dog that is sometimes overly protective and wary of strangers. They have a deep bark that make them sound much larger than they actually are. They can be aggressive with unfamiliar dogs but will share their home with another dog or even a cat if socialized at a young age.

+ Major Health Concerns

The Schnauzer is a relatively health breed but occasionally suffers from hip or skin conditions.

- Interesting Facts

The Schnauzer breed consists of three types: the giant, standard, miniature.

Average Weight:	Average Height:	Average Life Expectancy:	Breed Group:
11-85 pounds	12-27.5 inches	12-15 years	Terrier Group

The DNA MY DOG Canine Breed Determination Test is designed for the sole purpose of identifying breeds found in the genetic composition of dogs.

We cannot determine whether or not a dog is purebred; we can merely identify DNA that matches the validated breeds that make up our database.

Your analysis has been compiled based on the results obtained from your DNA sample submission, and has been processed with a reasonable amount of certainty. It is possible that there have been some random changes within your dog's DNA which may have affected the results. Our testing procedures and database are designed to recognize that this may happen and minimize any effect. It is understood that no analytical test is 100% accurate. DNA MY DOG is not responsible for any inferences made about any individual dog based upon the provided information.

Our test is based upon our database of recognized breeds. If your dog contains other breeds, not in our database, it may give rise to the identification of breeds earlier in your pet's history and may therefore provide a seemingly unlikely result for your dog.

It is important to understand that each dog is uniquely individual. Two dogs with the same breeds detected in their DNA may exhibit drastically different physical traits. In terms of behavior and personality, while certain traits may generally be associated with specific breeds, behavior will also be influenced by environment, training and handling.

The enclosed behavior, health and personality summary is for informational purposes only, and is based on information publicly available on purebred dogs. This information is not intended to predict disease or behavior, but is intended solely as a guide to traits often found in the breeds identified in your dog. These traits may or may not be found in your individual dog.

[What your dog's breed composition means](#)