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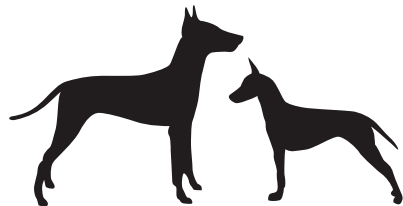
Manchester Terriers are extremely flexible and usually match their activity level to their owners. Outdoors, MTs have an abundance of energy and can make excellent running companions as they have both speed and endurance. Indoors, they are often found lounging contentedly on the couch.

With their strength, agility and superior intelligence, Manchesters are versatile canine athletes. Many compete in a variety of dog sports, including Agility, Flyball, Obedience and Rally-O.

Do Manchesters make good family companions?

Manchesters are exceptionally loyal, loving and devoted. They enjoy spending time with their family, curling up next to their owners on the couch or snuggling under the covers in bed.

The breed can make an excellent addition to a young family, however puppies must be properly socialized with children from a young age. It is important that children are taught to treat the dogs respectfully. As a rule, no small child should be left unattended with any dog.



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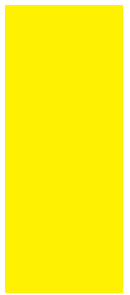
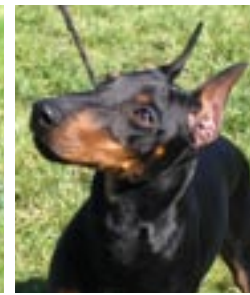
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HISTORY OF THE BREED

One of the oldest breeds of Terrier, the Manchester was developed as a general ratter on English farms and, later, as a rabbit courser. Over its long history, the breed was a popular terrier for tavern owners and ship captains, as well as urban rat catchers.

The Manchester was most noted, however, for its superior performance in the rat baiting pits of England. In one famous match, 5 1/2 pound "Tiny the Wonder" killed 300 rats in less than 55 minutes.

Today, Standard and Toy Manchester Terriers are two varieties of a single breed and are primarily distinguished by weight.



HEALTH

Overall, Manchester Terriers are a very healthy breed. As they are not overly popular they have not been indiscriminately bred just for profit. Although they are susceptible to a few genetic problems, these are relatively rare. Specifically, Manchester Terriers may be affected by von Willebrand's Disease (a bleeding disorder) and thyroid problems. Toy Manchesters may also have to Legges-Calves Perthes and Juvenile Cardiomyopathy.

Before purchasing a puppy, ask the breeder about their lines, experience, health testing and health guarantee.

TEMPERAMENT

The Manchester Terrier is keenly observant, intensely loyal and very responsive to his owner. He may be discerning and reserved towards strangers. It is important that all Manchesters be properly socialized with people, children and other animals from an early age. Obedience classes are recommended and can provide an excellent opportunity for owners to bond with their new addition.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Is this dog a "Mini-Doberman"?

No, Manchesters are neither miniature versions of the Doberman Pinscher nor are they Miniature Pinschers. In fact, the Doberman might be considered a larger version of the Manchester as the breed is cited as one used by Louis Doberman in creating the Doberman over 100 years ago. The Manchester Terrier is very old and has been used as the foundation for a number of breeds.

What is the difference between the Standard and the Toy Manchester?

In North America, Manchester Terriers are divided by weight into two varieties, distinguished only by size and ear type. The Standard Manchester Terrier should weigh between 12-22 pounds, while the Toy should weigh less than 12 pounds. Toy Manchesters may only have naturally erect ears, however Standards may have cropped, button or naturally erect ears.

How much grooming do they require?

Manchesters are a relatively low maintenance breed. They should be brushed once a week with a rubber curry or bristle brush to remove dead hair and decrease shedding. In addition, their toenails must be clipped and teeth brushed regularly.

Do they bark?

Yes, Manchester Terriers do bark to warn of potential dangers. Proper socialization and early intervention can curb excessive barking.

