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Fact Sheet: Miniature Poodle

Dog type: utility

History:

- The Standard Poodle was developed in France as a hunting dog in the Middle Ages.
- Miniature and Toy Poodles were developed by crossing small Standard Poodles with small Maltese and Havanese dogs.
- Miniature and Toy Poodles were companion or lap dogs. They were popular in the French court from the reign of Louis XIV until the reign of Louis XVI.

Did you know...?

- Poodles come in three sizes – standard , miniature and toy.
- Poodles were popular with circus performers and clowns from 1700 until the late 1800's.
- Poodles have a harsh curly coat that can be clipped and groomed in a number of ways.

Miniature Poodles as pets:

- Active and intelligent.
- Need proper clipping and grooming every 6 – 8 weeks.
- Does not need as much exercise as larger dogs.