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Boston Terrier

The Boston Terrier is a small, lively, and friendly dog breed that originated in Boston, Massachusetts, in the late 19th century. It descends from a cross between an English Bulldog and the now-extinct English White Terrier, and was soon refined into a smaller, gentler companion.

Thanks to its sharp black-and-white markings, the Boston Terrier is affectionately known as the 'American Gentleman'. Today, it is admired as a cheerful, adaptable, and loving family dog.

Appearance & Personality

Coat: Short, smooth, and fine. Black, brindle, or seal, always with distinctive white markings that look like a tuxedo.

Build: Compact, well balanced, and muscular, with a short back and a square outline.

Expression: Alert, kind, and intelligent, often with a curious tilt of the head.

Face: Large round dark eyes, a short square muzzle, a white blaze, and big upright bat-like ears.

Tail: Naturally short, either straight or screw-shaped, and carried low.

Temperament: Boston Terriers are friendly, playful, and affectionate, getting along well with almost everyone. They are lively and clever, with a gentle and sensitive nature.

Activity & Companionship

Boston Terriers need moderate daily exercise, such as walks and short play sessions.

They love chasing balls, playing games, and joining their family on everyday outings.

They are excellent family dogs, adapting well to both apartments and houses and enjoying children's company.

They are smart and eager to please, learning best with positive, reward-based training.

Health & Care

Exercise: Moderate — daily walks and play are enough, avoiding overexertion in hot weather.

Coat care: Low — occasional brushing and regular cleaning of the facial folds and eyes.

Diet: High-quality small-breed food in measured portions to prevent weight gain.

Health: Typically lives 11–13 years. Common conditions include brachycephalic airway syndrome, eye problems such as corneal ulcers and cataracts, patellar luxation, and deafness. Regular veterinary care helps keep this little gentleman healthy.

Fun Facts

The Boston Terrier is called the 'American Gentleman' because of its tuxedo-like coat.

It is one of the first dog breeds developed in the United States.

The Boston Terrier has been the official state dog of Massachusetts since 1979.

A Boston Terrier named Rhett is the mascot of Boston University.

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