

Grooming of the Lhasa Apso

If we are on the way with a Lhasa Apso , we hear these sentences: Oh, so sweet and beautiful, long hair and so friendly however this care expenditure! But one needs nevertheless so much time! If one knows however about the care and particularly about the technology of the care, the care is a ritual for dog and owner annoying does not have to expect, but a very intensive occupation with the dog, the dog and owner with joy. In order to receive a long, shining skin, it requires a balanced and nutrition co-ordinated with the race. As food additive I give daily a little spoon of good oil. In addition, every other oil with a high content of essential fatty acids is suitable, like cold pressed night candle oil or sunfloweroil. A very good means is also Velcote, an oil from different african kinds of nut.

Brushing: Tibetan dogs have a dubblecoated hair dress, which consists of fine underwool and firm cover hair. The cover hair is very similar in appearance and pH value to the human hair. This cover hair receives the Lhasa Apso only with the change of the puppy skin. First firm of hair come through usually between the shoulders. If one from the outset (even if one means, which are hair still not at all for a long time) the dog to combing accustoms, is not the care late very long hair a problem. It depends only on the regularity. One proceeds as follows: Best one puts on a table (a good place is also the washing machine!) a not-slipping document and puts the dog laterally on it. I always use thereby the same instruction?Peng?, that is, the dog must remain lying now. The hair is easily moistened now with an atomizer, so that the hair does not break when brushing. The atomizer is water-filled with distilled, a hair lotion for dogs (Botanical Conditioner) is attached to which. The dog is beginning upward combed schichtweise by the belly. One draws transverse vertices again and again and combs so the individual layers. The paws are treated in the same way. If small felting are to be found, these are carefully dissolved with the comb. One should hold the strahne over the skin, so that one does not do pain to the dog. In no case on the hair pull too firmly, since it breaks otherwise. The preferential places for felting are behind the ears and under the shoulders. If Knoetchen formed nevertheless, briefly with care lotion to moisten, something up influence let and with the fingers pull apart, afterwards with the comb draw. For the eyes I use a small feinzinkigen comb, in order to remove dried up eye secretion, equally thereby leftovers can be removed. With increasing hair length a vertex on the back, which emphasizes the long hair particularly beautifully, forms. Lhasa Apso puppy require more care, than an arising Lhasa, since the fine puppy hair felts faster. An adult Lhasa is through-brushed in to twice per week thoroughly



Eyes: To the daily care the cleaning of the eyes belongs. The eye internal angles are cleaned either with a dampened cotton wool PAD or released with a

fine comb from secretion remainders. Cut they in no case the hair around the eyes, which would irritate regenerating hair the eyes, the Lhasa Apso have long lashes, which keep free the eyes.

Ears: Once per week the ears are cleaned. In addition one uses an ear cleaning agent of the veterinary surgeon. Hair in the gehoergang is carefully out-pulled with the fingers, in order to avoid infections. No fear, the dog does that not to pain.

Claws and Paws: Every few weeks are shortened the claws. In addition one uses special claw pliers. One must be however very careful, in order to hurt no supplied with blood part of the claw. The 5. Claw at the inside of the front runs is likewise shortened, so that it cannot in-grow. One can best be shown the first time of the breeder or an experienced dog owner, how the verhornte claw part is removed. Since also between the bundles and toes the hair stature is very strong, the hair must be kept short there, since dirt settles there and to inflammations they can-accustom it to come their dog on to these measures, then it it of small also without defence over itself be issued will



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Bathing: Depending upon contamination our Lhasa Apso is bathed. Otherwise we bathe every 4 weeks. In addition I use a good dog shampoo with a following care flushing; which improves and protects the hair structure. In a large bath-towel in-wound, the dog is expressed and dried may vibrate itself, afterwards it. The hair is brushed and blown at the same time. Before it is however completely drying, it is thoroughly through-brushed. In cold weather the dog should not outside, before it is perfectly drying. After a walk with bad weather or if our Lhasa meant, it must loosen the garden up, we **showers** only the paws and the belly off and removes any wood remainders, or also annoying grass seeds from the skin.

