

Dachshund care sheet

Breed facts with their sources, your dog's details, the dates your vet sets, and a six-week grooming and exercise log.

The breed facts describe Dachshunds as a breed, not your dog. Vet visits and vaccinations: write in the dates as your vet sets them.

Your dog

Name	Date of birth
Microchip number	Vet and phone

Breed facts

Fact	Dachshund	Source
Life expectancy	12–16 years	AKC
Senior from	12 years The last 25% of the upper AKC estimate (AAHA 2019)	AAHA
Puppy until	9 months Life stages of the Pettify care plan	Pettify
Adult weight	Standard and miniature: see the AKC page	AKC
Height at the shoulder	20–23 cm (standard), 13–15 cm (miniature)	AKC
Exercise	Up to 1 hour per day	RKC
Grooming	Once a week (smooth-haired, miniature smooth-haired); More than once a week (long-haired, wire-haired)	RKC
Coat	Short (smooth-haired, miniature smooth-haired); Medium (long-haired, wire-haired) coat; sheds	RKC
Energy level	3 out of 5 (1 = Couch Potato, 5 = High Energy)	AKC

Sources, checked 2026-10-23:

AKC: American Kennel Club, Dachshund breed page, akc.org/dog-breeds/dachshund
RKC: The Royal Kennel Club, Dachshund (Smooth-haired), royalkennelclub.com/search/breeds-a-to-z/breeds/hound/dachshund-smooth-haired
RKC: The Royal Kennel Club, Dachshund (Long-haired), royalkennelclub.com/search/breeds-a-to-z/breeds/hound/dachshund-long-haired
RKC: The Royal Kennel Club, Dachshund (Wire-haired), royalkennelclub.com/search/breeds-a-to-z/breeds/hound/dachshund-wire-haired
RKC: The Royal Kennel Club, Dachshund (Miniature smooth-haired), royalkennelclub.com/search/breeds-a-to-z/breeds/hound/dachshund-miniature-smooth-haired
AAHA: 2019 AAHA Canine Life Stage Guidelines (2019), doi.org/10.5326/JAAHA-MS-6999
Pettify: life stages of the app's care plan, built from breed and birth date

Vet visits and vaccinations

Visit or vaccination	Date	Next due, as your vet sets it	Notes



Grooming and exercise log

Exercise: minutes of walks and play

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