

## What Made Us Who We Are?



No one really knows the exact origin of the Silky Terrier. The Waterside Terrier, Paisley, and Clydesdale Terriers, extinct breeds from the UK, may have

contributed to the Silky's lineage, but most agree the breed originated in Australia in the latter part of the 19th century. They are a mix of the small, yet sturdy, rough-coated Australian Terrier and the Yorkshire Terrier, a beautiful toy dog with a long silky coat. Although they were developed mainly as pets and companions, they also proved their worth as ratters and snake hunters.

Fans introduced the first Silky Terriers to America in the 1930s. During World War II, service men stationed in Australia also brought their new furry companions back to the United States. Yet, widespread interest in the breed really ignited



in 1954 when an adorable Silky Terrier pup appeared on the cover of *This Week* magazine and officially stole America's heart. Four years later, the American Kennel Club officially recognized the breed.

## The Silky Terrier Club of America

The Silky Terrier Club of America (STCA), recognized by the American Kennel Club, is the parent club of the breed. Our members include Silky owners and breeders from across the country. We are dedicated to the well-being of the Silky and responsible for the breed standard, the description of the ideal Silky Terrier. We are also the premium resource for reputable breeders and "all things Silky."

To find a reputable breeder of Silky Terriers visit the STCA website, **silkyterrierclubofamerica.org**, where you will find a comprehensive list. These members are passionate about the breed and will happily share as much information as you need to find the right dog.



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## Silky Terriers Small Dog, Big Heart

Get to know this charming, intelligent toy terrier.



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Small but not fragile, animated, curious & spirited.

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Athletic, active & intelligent wants to join in the fun!



Friendly, bright-eyed, peoplefriendly & loyal.



A charming toy terrier that can do it all! Big things come in small packages! While these little dynamos only stand 9-10-inches tall, they're intelligent, curious, outgoing and active. You might say they're packed with personality—and packed to go, go, go!

Silkys have wedge-shaped heads with erect V-shaped ears and soft glossy coats. In fact, because their blue, tan and silver hair is similar to human hair, many people who are allergic to dogs can happily coexist with a Silky. And, every time you look into their adoring and inquisitive almond-shaped eyes, you're happily – and hopelessly – hooked all over again.

These beauties are wonderful companions. Although they love lap and cuddle time, they really want to join their people in everything they do. You name it – nature walks, boat rides, car trips, a game of catch or tug-of-war... this little terrier just wants to have fun. With you! Because they love being on the job, they're also very successful in the show ring and thrive in the more active events like agility, barn hunt, earth dog and others. Their loyalty and attentiveness also make them excellent comfort or therapy dogs. Some are even trained to alert their owners to health problems!

You don't have to look far to learn more about these little wonders. To find a wellbred, healthy Silky, visit the Silky Terrier Club of America website. Reach out to several breeders and ask questions. They are passionate about the breed and will help you find the perfect match for you.







