

# Woof! 100 Fun Facts About Dogs L3

Dogs are one of the most popular pets in the world, and for good reason! They're loyal, loving, and always up for a good time. But did you know that there's a lot more to dogs than meets the eye? Here are 100 fun facts about dogs that you probably didn't know.



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1. Dogs have been around for over 15,000 years.
2. The first dogs were domesticated from wolves in Asia.
3. There are over 350 recognized breeds of dogs.
4. The smallest dog breed is the Chihuahua, which can weigh as little as 1 pound.
5. The largest dog breed is the Great Dane, which can weigh up to 200 pounds.
6. Dogs have a sense of smell that is 10,000 to 100,000 times stronger than humans.

7. Dogs can hear sounds up to four times farther away than humans.
8. Dogs can see in color, but not as well as humans.
9. Dogs have a third eyelid that helps to protect their eyes from dust and debris.
10. Dogs sweat through their paws.
11. Dogs have a unique nose print that is as unique as a human fingerprint.
12. Dogs can wag their tails to communicate different emotions, such as happiness, fear, or aggression.
13. Dogs dream just like humans.
14. Dogs can learn up to 250 words.
15. Dogs can understand human emotions.
16. Dogs can be trained to detect cancer, diabetes, and other diseases.
17. Dogs can make great therapy animals.
18. Dogs are pack animals and love to be around other dogs and people.
19. Dogs need regular exercise to stay healthy and happy.
20. Dogs should be fed a diet that is high in protein and low in carbohydrates.
21. Dogs need to be vaccinated against diseases such as rabies, distemper, and parvovirus.
22. Dogs should be spayed or neutered to prevent unwanted litters and health problems.

23. Dogs can live for up to 15 years.

24. Dogs are amazing creatures that make great companions.

## ## Bonus Fun Facts

\* The world's oldest dog was an Australian cattle dog named Bluey, who lived to be 29 years old. \* The world's tallest dog was a Great Dane named Zeus, who stood 44 inches tall at the shoulder. \* The world's smallest dog was a Chihuahua named Miracle Milly, who weighed only 1 pound 1 ounce. \* The world's heaviest dog was an English Mastiff named Zorba, who weighed 343 pounds. \* The world's most expensive dog was a Tibetan Mastiff named Hong Dong, who was sold for \$1.5 million.

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Dogs are truly amazing creatures. They're loyal, loving, and always up for a good time. If you're thinking about getting a dog, be sure to do your research and find a breed that's right for you. Dogs make great companions and will bring you years of joy and laughter.



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