

Breed Standards for the Collie

General Appearance:	A dog of great beauty with physical structure on the lines of strength and activity
Head:	Head resembles a blunt lean wedge from profile and front views; Flat skull; Small ears, carried semi erect when alert with the top quarter tipping forward; Medium-sized, almond-shaped eyes
Tail:	Carried low
Color:	Sable and white, tricolor, blue merle; white (predominantly white, preferably with markings)
Coat:	The coat can be of two types, both with a soft, abundant undercoat. The outer coat of the Smooth variety is short, hard, and flat: that of the Rough variety is straight, harsh, abundant, and long, particularly on the mane and ruff.
Size:	Weight: male: 60-75 lb; female: 50-65 lb Height: male: 24-26"; female: 22-24"
Gait:	Suggests effortless speed as well as the ability to change speed and direction instantly.
Temperament:	Gentle and devoted, a mild-mannered friend to all