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