

## Breed Standards for the Presa Canario

General Appearance:	A moderately large, powerfully constructed dog with a harsh-textured, flat coat.
Head:	Massive, cuboid in shape. The skull and muzzle are roughly parallel to one another when viewed from the side. When dog is alert, the skin forms several symmetrical wrinkles in the median furrow.
Skull:	Cub-shaped, broad and slightly domed, but without occipital protuberance.
Muzzle:	The muzzle forms a smaller cube that tapers just slightly from stop to nose. The bridge of the muzzle is flat and straight.
Nose:	The nose is wide and black. It does not protrude beyond the front plane of the muzzle.
Body:	A properly proportioned Presa is a 20% longer than tall. The length of the front leg should approximately equal one-half of the dog's height.
Tail:	Set moderately high. It is thick and muscular at the base and tapers to a point.
Coat:	A short, flat single coat that is harsh in texture.
Color:	Any shade of fawn, black and brindle in any combination of these colors. The face must have a black or dark brown mask that does not extend over the eyes, with or without a white blaze or patch on the head.
Size:	Height: Male: 23 – 26"; Female: 22 - 25" Weight: Male 100 pounds; Female: 85 pounds.
Temperament:	Powerful, agile, and courageous. The Presa is extremely affectionate, docile and well behaved with its owner and family, but is wary of strangers and aggressive with other dogs.