



Poodle (Standard, Miniature, Toy)

A quick reference guide for keeping your Poodle affectionate, healthy, and well-groomed.

Personality & Affection

- Highly intelligent, social, and people oriented
- Thrive on routine, companionship, and mental stimulation
- Don't tolerate long periods alone—may develop anxiety
- Daily bonding: training, play, enrichment, cuddle time

Exercise Needs

Size	Daily Exercise	Ideal Activities
Standard	60–90 mins	Running, swimming, agility
Miniature	45–60 mins	Walks, play, tricks
Toy	30–45 mins	Gentle walks, indoor play

Diet and Feeding

- High quality dog food with real protein
- Puppies: 3–4 meals/day
- Adults: 2 meals/day
- Limit treats to under 10% of daily calories
- Provide access to fresh water at all times
- Standard Poodles: feed smaller meals to reduce bloat risk

Grooming Schedule

- Brush coat daily or every 1–2 days
- Professional grooming every 6–8 weeks
- Bathe every 3–4 weeks
- Clean ears weekly
- Trim nails every 2–4 weeks
- Brush teeth 3–4 times per week

Health Essentials

- Lifespan: Standard 12–15 yrs, Miniature 14–17 yrs, Toy 14–18 yrs
- Standard: hip dysplasia, bloat, Addison's disease
- Miniature/Toy: dental issues, luxating patella, tracheal collapse
- Annual vet checks + parasite prevention
- Monitor weight and dental health closely

Daily Checklist

- Exercise: 30–90 minutes (size dependent)
- Mental stimulation session
- Brush coat
- Fresh water + two balanced meals
- Cuddle time & social interaction
- Quick ear/eye/paw check