



The **SKYE** **TERRIER**

A heavenly terrier from head to tail





The Skye Terrier

The Skye Terrier originates from the Isle of Skye in Scotland. His original use was to hunt vermin in caverns and brushwood. This explains why he has short legs and a thick coat – it was able to follow the prey to the burrows and the coat protected him against bites. Nowadays the Skye terrier is a companion dog and a family dog.

The Skye Terrier population is very small globally. All in all, fewer than 300 Skye Terrier puppies are born in the world yearly. The Finnish Skye Terriers have been of very high quality for decades. It is said that you can find the best specimens of the this breed in Finland.





Appearances

The Skye Terrier's appearance is stylish and elegant: he is agile and strong, has a strong bone structure and strong muscles. He is long, low and level; he is twice as long as he is high.

The Skye Terrier is a combination of elegance, aristocracy and strength.

The Skye Terrier is long and low. The coat veils the dog's face and falls straight down to the ground on both sides of the dog's body.



Prick and drop eared



The sturdy body and effortless gait make the Skye Terrier's appearance fairly elegant!



Character, behavior and health

The Skye Terrier is an elegant dog but not a fragile princess. He is not afraid of roaming in the woods although he is also happy spending time beside his owner on the sofa .



The Skye Terrier is a mixture of a Scottish aristocrat and a laddie.





The Skye Terrier is playful and good-tempered, but he still has the quick temper and stubbornness of a cave dog if needed. A Skye doesn't rush around unnecessarily, he can take it easy and relax. A Skye is smart, independent and self-confident. You don't need to handle him harshly, that will only offend the Skye and he will remember it for a long time.

When a Skye encounters guests, he will take his time to get to know them. The guest shouldn't get too close and friendly with the dog since that will only make him back up. If the guest just is patient and allows the dog to approach on his own, he will soon be sitting on the guest's lap.

You have to earn a Skye's love and respect. When you have got them, the dog will be loyal to you forever. His deep devotion to his owner is so huge that there are even stories about it – and they are all true! A Skye is at his happiest when he is among his own.

All Skye Terriers are unique individuals; one is energetic, the other a bit lazy; one is loud, the other quiet. But they are all Great Personalities and knowing them is a great honour.



The Skye Terrier is a fairly healthy breed. As an example of that, he doesn't usually have back problems in spite of his length.

Training and care

Because the Skye Terrier is a born gentleman, you can lead a very happy life with him even without a strict obedience training. It is enough with a common socialization. It is good to socialize a puppy and a young dog to cope with different kinds of people and situations. It is wise to make the dog get used to grooming and other aspects of care from early on.



Kati ;o)

A Skye Terrier's long coat looks like a lot of work, but it is surprisingly easy to groom. It is enough to wash the dog when needed and to brush him in every 2 - 4 weeks. When you learn the skill, grooming the dog won't take more than twenty minutes. If the coat is not matted, it might even be harmful to brush or comb it too often.

**The loyalty and devotion
of a Skye Terrier is
in its own league among
different dog breeds.**



Hobbies

A Skye Terrier knows how to enjoy a lazy life, but he is always ready to participate in all kinds of action, too. You can often see a Skye Terrier at a dog show, but they can also be seen in obedience training, tracking and agility activities.

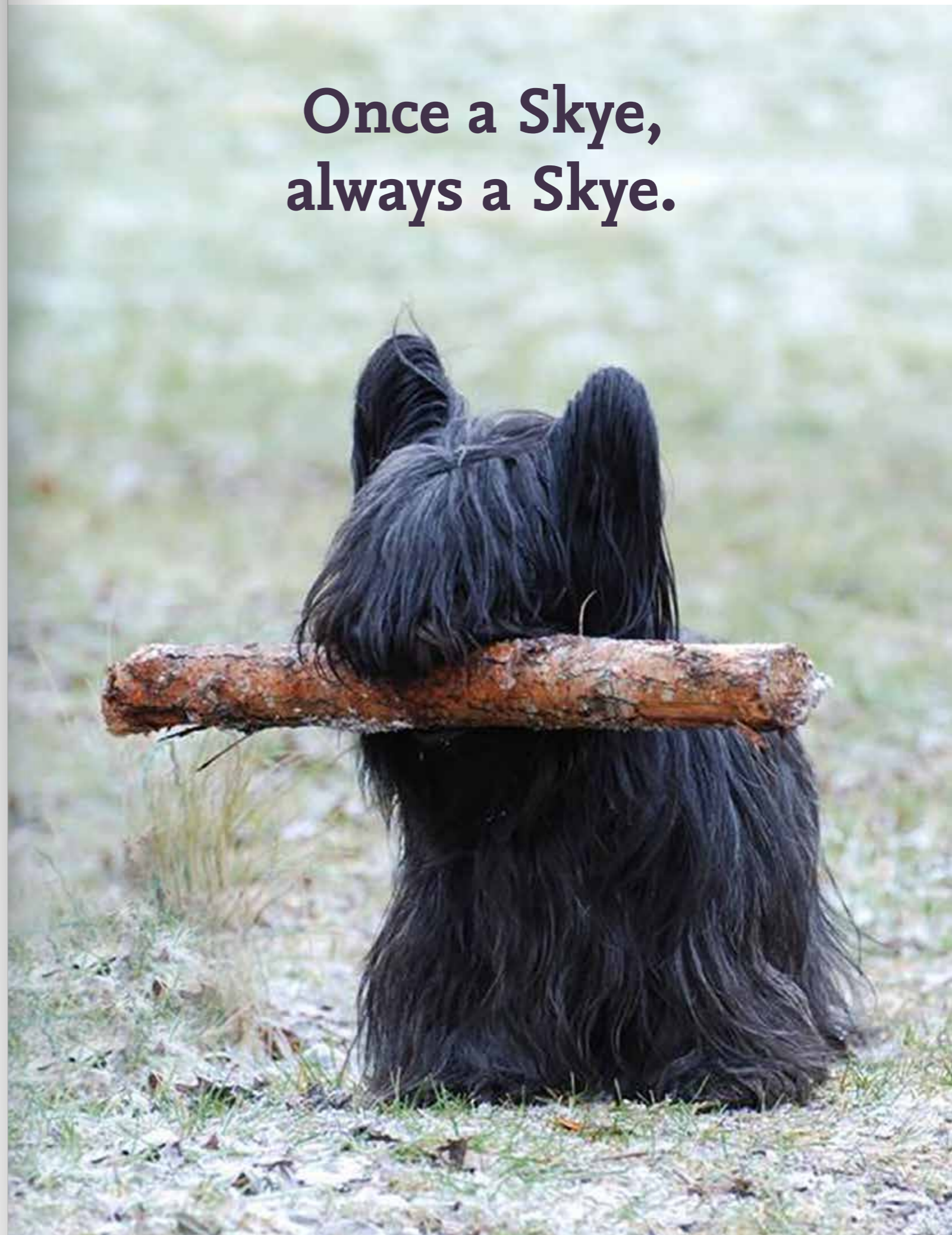
A Skye Terrier learns fast, but if he is in a stubborn mood or just bored, training him may require a bit of humour. Although you might not reach the highest medals in some events with a Skye, he is still a happy and fun dog that you can enjoy doing varied activities with.

Maybe the Skye Terrier is the Right One for you?

A word of warning: if you take a Skye Terrier once, you will always be a great fan of the breed.



Once a Skye,
always a Skye.



Greyfriars Bobby

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