

# West Highland White Terrier

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Examine on Table

**Height** - Dogs -11” Bitches -10”

**General Appearance** – The body between the withers and root of the tail is slightly shorter than the height at the withers. Height from the elbow to withers and elbow to the ground is approximately equal. Compact with good balance and substance. Short coupled and well boned.

**Head** - Shaped to present roundish appearance from front and in proportion to and balanced with the body. Piercing, inquisitive expression. **Eyes** - Widely set apart, medium sized, almond shaped, dark brown. **Ears** - Small, prick, set wide apart on outer top edge of broad skull. **Skull** - Broad, slightly longer than muzzle. **Stop** - Defined. **Bite** - There must be six incisors between canines in a tight scissors or level bite.

**Body** - Compact, good substance, well defined forechest. **Topline** - Flat and level. **Loin** -Short, broad and strong. **Neck** -Muscular.

**Forequarters - Angulation** – Shoulder blades are well laid back and nearly equal in length to the upper arm. **Forelegs** -Muscular, well boned and relatively short and straight. **Feet** – Round. Larger than the hind ones. May turn out slightly.

**Hindquarters - Thighs** -Muscular, not wide apart. **Hocks** - Well let down. **Hind feet** - Thickly padded. Smaller than front. When gaiting rear hocks tend to converge.

**Coat** – White double coat is hard and weather-resistant, consisting of straight, hard hair and short soft undercoat.

**Color** - White. Some wheaten tipping is preferable to a white and fluffy or soft coat.

**Gait** - Free, straight, easy all around.

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