



## **Kyi-Leo**

**Standard Provided by ABIDS**

**CLASSIFICATION:** Companion

**ORIGIN:** USA

**GENERAL APPEARANCE:** A Kyi-Leo is a small sturdily built dog, completely covered with long hair. He is active, alert and very agile.

**SIZE:** Variable, small to very small. Preferred height is 11 inches, but no less than 8 inches or more than 12 inches. Length of body is longer than height at withers, but in well balanced proportions.

**LEGS:** Forelegs strong and straight. Hind legs strong and moderately angular. Should be well covered with hair.

**FEET:** Round, well covered with hair, even between the toes and pads. Good control of front feet in grasping, holding and playing.

**COLOR:** Preferred is black and white part color. Black marking around the eyes and black ears are very desirable. There may be brownish shadings above the eyes and at the top of the ears. The black of some may lighten to a silvery slate grey as they mature. Other colors are acceptable. Nose, lips and eye rims should be black.

**COAT:** Long and thick with a silky texture. Straight or with a slight wave. Tends to part naturally along the spine. It may take longer than three or four years to reach full length.

**HEAD:** Completely covered with long hair. Definite stop. Muzzle medium. Tip of nose to corner of eye should be shorter than from eye to back of head, in approximately one to two ratio. Good fall of hair over eyes. Good length whiskers and beard.

**EYES:** Frontal placement. Medium to dark brown. Large but not bulgy. Bright and alert. Gives face a comprehensive, intelligent expression.

**EARS:** Drop ears, well covered with hair.

**BITE:** Scissors, level or reverse scissors.

**TAIL:** Well feathered and curled over the back when alert. May be dropped when relaxing, eating or unhappy.

**CHARACTER:** Lively and playful, charming and affectionate. Loves attention. Eager to please but possessing a stubborn streak. Generally very sociable but sometimes reserved with strangers.

**DISQUALIFYING FAULTS:** *Male animals should have two apparently normal testicles fully descended into the scrotum.*