

Boykin Spaniel

Height – Dogs 15.5” to 18”; Bitches – 14” to 16.5”

All-around hunting dog, medium size with moderate speed and agility. Pendulous ears, intelligent expression, sturdy build and wagging tail.

Eyes – Varying shades of brown, set well apart, medium sized, oval.

Ears – Set slightly above or even with line of eye. Leather thin, almost reach tip of nose. Hang close to cheeks and are flat. **Skull** – Medium length, broad, flat on top. **Stop** – Moderate. Parallel planes. **Muzzle** – Approx same length as skull and ½ the width. **Jaws** - Sufficient length to carry game easily, not snipey. **Nose** – Fully pigmented, dark liver and well open nostrils. **Lips** – close and clean fitting. **Bite** – Scissors or level. Overshot or undershot are serious faults.

Neck – Moderately long & slightly arched. **Back** – Straight, strong, level. **Loins** – Short, strong, slight tuck up. **Body** – Sturdy, not too compact. Shoulders sloping. Brisket extends to elbow. Croup slopes gently. **Tail** – Set follows natural line of croup. Docked to 3”-5” when fully mature. Carried horizontally or slightly elevated; lively, merry action.

Forequarters – Clean and muscular, legs are medium length. **Pasterns** – Strong. **Feet** – round, compact, well arched. **Dewclaws** – Should be removed. **Hindquarters** – Well developed hips and thighs showing strength and drive. **Hocks** – Joint slightly rounded, moderately angulated. Legs from hock joint to foot pad moderate length, strong, straight and parallel.

Coat – Double coat. Flat to slightly wavy, outer coat medium length. Undercoat short and dense. Ears, chest, legs and belly light fringe or feathering.

Color – Solid rich liver, brown or dark chocolate. Small amount of white on chest or toes permitted. No other white allowed.

Gait – Effortless, good reach and drive. Single tracks with increased speed.

Temperament – Friendly, willing worker, intelligent and easy to train. Thrives on human companionship and gets along with other dogs and children. Penalize dog aggression and excessive shyness equally.