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# Chinese Shar-Pei

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The Chinese Shar-Pei is a heavily wrinkled dog with a large head, though dogs with smaller heads and tighter looking skins do occur in this breed. Puppies have more wrinkles than adults. Shar-Peis slowly lose their wrinkles as they get older. There are three coat varieties: horse-coat and brush-coat and a rare bear-coat. The unusual horse-coat is rough to the touch, prickly and off-standing. The brush-coated variety has longer hair and a smoother feel. The coat on either variety can be up to one inch in length. Coat colors include all solid colors and sables. Height: 18-20 inches (46-51 cm.) Weight: 40-55 pounds (18-25 kg.)