

Long Coats

What is a long coat??? A long coat is just what it sounds like... a German Shepherd with a longer coat than the traditionally short coats you are used to seeing. A long coat is a recessive trait that pops up every so often. There are a variety of colors, the same as short hair coats. There are also different degrees of long coat. Some long coats have no undercoat, others do have one.

Many people prefer the look of a long coat, and often breeders have wait lists for them.

As beautiful & popular as they are, most breeders do not breed purposely to produce long coats. Why? Longcoats are not desirable for showing or breeding. The long hair is deemed not as weatherproof as the shorter coat, and some long coats have no protective undercoat. Long coats are not to the standard.

In every other way, long coated dogs are just as versatile as any other GSD, and can be found working at a variety of jobs/competitions. In our experience, long coats make great family pets. Often, due to their irresistible furry puppy looks, they are the most socialized pups in a litter!



Tia, our 12 1/2 year old long coat.