

# English Cream Dachshunds

Ask any dachshund owner and you'll find there's no other dog so worth owning. Also known as doxies, wiener dogs, and sausage dogs, these smart pooches routinely rank in the top ten of most popular dog breeds.

It is confusing to many people how a German breed came to receive the name "English" Cream. The Dachshund is infamous for its breeding as a badger hunter in Germany. In the English Cream Dachshund, English sophistication meets a German hunter's rugged, energetic enthusiasm. How does that come to be?

These cream-colored dachshunds were bred in England with ancestry that traces back to a limited number of United Kingdom kennels. **See our AKC Pedigree for BBDOxies Wroyal Remington. He Sires from RALINES in the UK & SNIFFNTELLS in Canada.**

The term "English Cream" covers a class of colorings from pale or ee cream, cream brindles, shaded cream, cream dapples, blue or black creams, and cream piebalds.

The English Cream has no possibility of dark hair coming through on its coat due to an extra recessive gene of either a chinchilla variation, ee cream, pale cream, or clear cream. The pup is born a variation of a cream color and does not change. Let's look at specific variations:

**Cream:** Refers to most cream-colors Dachshund, including English and the ee, with no concern over genes.

**ee Cream:** These variations associate with the "ee-red gene" instead of the chinchilla gene. It inhibits the Dachshund from producing a dark pigment. These are born with cream fur, as well as cream nails and whiskers.

**Shaded Cream:** This term references a Dachshund with dark banding on the fur tips as the only distinguishing marks. A Shaded English Cream will also have dark paw pads, whiskers, and nails distinguishing it from the ee..

**The English Cream long-haired Dachshund is a prized breed. The AKC views the dog as a standard breed.** All breeds comprise a standard variant, but there will also be a subset for dogs deriving from the hybrids that ultimately come to be viewed as "designer dogs".

**The color is rare and reproducing the pattern is challenging,** but as a rule, the animals are standard Dachshunds with common traits of the breed, **while having an especially lovely appearance. That creates a demand for the dog, leading breeders to attempt to meet these standards.**

# Why do we have the name English Cream Dachshund?

The English Cream Dachshund also goes by “Blondie Doxie”. If the dog is a genuine English Cream Long-haired Dachshund, there will be an imported British Cream in the animal’s history.

So many breeders worldwide are producing generations of the Cream Dachshund with no English ancestry. Because of this, often the blonde variation will be referenced as just “cream”.

This is especially common in the United States where the Cream is a sought-after variant. A genuine English Cream thus far is only existent in the miniature long-haired variation in America. These dogs have many British Dachshunds associated with their pedigrees.

To purchase one of these purebred pups in the US, a reputable breeder can produce pedigree documentation. If this documentation is not available, you are risking the dog not being of English descent. For example, an American Cream often has a slight reddish hue.

## English Cream Dachshund Temperament

Official scientific research isn’t available to show a designation from the English Cream Long-haired Dachshund from the standard Dachshund in regards to temperament or other behaviors. The only evidence available is anecdotal from those who own the animals.

Pet parents suggest an English Cream Dachshund is among the most “laid-back” of the breed. The consensus among parents is these pups are known to be pleasant, mild-mannered, and sweet. A standard Doxie is known for a more independent, stubborn streak. The cream-colored Dachshund is less stubborn with a greater sense of loyalty and calmness, even in new situations. However, there are some comparable traits to the standard Doxie

- **Burrow:** A Dachshund is born to dig and these variants are no different. The English Cream Dachshund has the same instinct of hunting and burrowing to reach hiding places.
- **Vocal:** As with all Dachshunds, the English Cream is quick to alert their family when danger is present, requiring early training to teach what is appropriate and what is not so much.
- **The Chase:** With their natural prey drive, English Creams are known to have the chasing instinct, requiring supervision to ensure they do not flee.
- **Intelligent:** Dachshunds are brilliant regardless of the variant and carry a desire to please their parents, reacting well to training when done early and positively.
- **Affectionate:** The dog is an exceptionally loving pup, incapable of betrayal with a strong desire to be around her humans, making her an excellent family dog. (As with all pets, always supervise around children and other pets.)

# English Cream vs American Cream: What's the Difference?

The American Cream Dachshund is comparable in appearance to the genuine English Cream despite being substantially different. The coloring in the coat comes from a unique gene with the outcome being a "red dilute" appearance, very light in color.

When born, American Creams are exceptionally light in color. With maturity, the coat begins to take on a more prominently reddish hue. With an authentic English Cream Dachshund, there will be no red coloring. It's important to note that every dog, even those very pale variants showing even a hint of red undertone, is not an English Cream.

There are light red Dachshunds referred to as American Creams, which can include smooth or short-haired Creams. With these dogs, there are three genetic possibilities including the "Dominant Red Gene", "Recessive Red Gene", and "Blue Dilution Gene".

## How Can You Tell an Authentic English Cream?

A genuine English Cream Long-haired Dachshund warrants a higher price point than other variants due to the limited number of reputable, authentic, available breeders. The scarcity of these dogs with a genuine pedigree is adding to the costs.

Those familiar with the variation can account that an authentic English Cream has a specific look. Those who become acquainted with the specimen will be able to differentiate and English from those who are not. If you cannot do this, here are some ways to help you determine authentic English Cream Long-haired Dachshunds:

- The authentic animal will only have long hair.
- These are very light cream colors with only a yellow undertone. Some compare it to an eggshell color.
- A key indicator is proof that the dog will have a solid cream coat that stays throughout its lifespan and does not alter as the years pass.
- A true English Cream newborn is black with the cream color developing gradually over time. Regardless of the shading remaining, "English Cream" is still the designation. The exception to this is the "Clear Cream" which are born pale and darken over time.
- A genuine English Cream will have black nails and a nose with dark brown eyes.
- The United States will only see authentic English Creams in miniature size.
- There should be a reputable pedigree showing British Cream ancestry.
- There will be *no* red undertones for an English Cream Dachshund

# English Cream Dachshund Grooming Needs

An authentic English Cream Long-haired Dachshund will moderately shed throughout the year with a heavy shed at least once in that year. Some tips on grooming your pup:

- **Brush:** For a healthy coat, English Cream Long-haired Dachshunds need a “slicker” brush for regular grooming to keep their locks tangle-free and in the best condition with brushing from root to tip.
- **Bathing:** Dachshunds need bathing very infrequently, closer to a once a month basis, to retain a neat appearance. The main objective is to avoid over bathing and use a whitening formula for the English Cream. This helps sustain a healthy, shiny appearance since the white coat tends to stain.
- **Trim:** Around the feet and ears, you should trim regularly to keep these areas tidy. Also, keep the nails trim at least once a month to keep the feet in good condition. The dog may wear down these naturally, depending on surfaces they walk on regularly.
- **Eyes and Ears:** There should be no offensive odor or redness within the ears, which would indicate infection. The eyes should show clarity with no type of discharge or redness.

While grooming, go over your pup for symptoms of rashes, sores, and signs of infection like red areas or swelling on the feet, mouth, eyes, or skin. The cream pups have more sensitive skin, so it is essential to use less harsh products, preferably without ingredients like alcohol or parabens.

# English Cream Dachshund Puppies

I am a small home breeder, with only have a few litters per year. I do have some fellow breeders I do support and will often repost on my FB page when they may have puppies available. I myself have bought puppies for my breeding program from the following:

BB Doxies Reno NV

Danville Cream Dachshunds Southern California

Taxonyx Dachshunds Southern California

