# Shar Pei Dog Care, Behavior, Diet, Interaction, Costs, and Health Care: The Complete Guide

The Shar Pei is a Chinese breed of dog known for its distinctive wrinkled face and blue-black tongue. Shar Pei means "sandy skin" in Chinese, and the breed was originally developed to guard livestock and property. Today, the Shar Pei is a popular companion dog, although they can be challenging to care for.

If you are considering adopting a Shar Pei, it is important to do your research and understand the unique needs of this breed. This comprehensive guide will provide you with everything you need to know about Shar Pei care, from behavior and diet to interaction and health care.



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#### Behavior

The Shar Pei is a loyal and protective breed, but they can also be stubborn and independent. They are not typically aggressive, but they may be wary of strangers. Shar Pei puppies are full of energy and can be quite destructive if they are not properly exercised.

As adults, Shar Pei are typically more laid-back, but they still require regular exercise. They are also very intelligent dogs and enjoy learning new tricks.

#### Diet

Shar Pei have a sensitive digestive system, so it is important to feed them a high-quality diet. They should be fed a diet that is high in protein and low in fat. Avoid feeding your Shar Pei table scraps, as this can lead to digestive problems.

It is also important to make sure that your Shar Pei has access to fresh water at all times.

#### Interaction

Shar Pei are very social dogs and enjoy spending time with their family. They are also good with children, although they may be too boisterous for very young children. Shar Pei do not do well when left alone for long periods of time, so it is important to make sure that they have plenty of companionship.

#### Costs

The cost of owning a Shar Pei can vary depending on a number of factors, including the breeder, the age of the dog, and the region where you live. The average cost of a Shar Pei puppy is between \$500 and \$1,000. The cost of food, vet care, and other supplies can add up to another \$500 to \$1,000 per year.

#### **Health Care**

Shar Pei are generally healthy dogs, but they are prone to certain health problems, including:

\* Skin allergies \* Eye problems \* Hip dysplasia \* Elbow dysplasia \* Hypothyroidism

It is important to take your Shar Pei to the vet for regular checkups to ensure that they are healthy.

The Shar Pei is a unique and fascinating breed of dog, but they can also be challenging to care for. If you are considering adopting a Shar Pei, it is important to do your research and understand the unique needs of this breed. By following the tips in this guide, you can help your Shar Pei live a long and healthy life.



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