

English Springer Spaniel

Springers are a very active breed, they love to go hunting, but they don't like to sit still. Typically, there are two styles of Springer's: one having barely any coat and silky feathering, the other has a lot of coat and very long silky feathering. Sometimes you can't tell which one you have unless you have seen both parents of the puppy and you can see what type of coats they have.

If you have the first type with a short coat, it will be a lot easier to keep him groomed. Very often you can leave them natural and even have to cut its hair. The dog in this picture is an example of that; he doesn't even look like he needs grooming.

The second type will require regular brushings to keep the silky coat from matting and will need grooming every 8 weeks.

Some owners don't want to keep up all the long hair so they opt to have the dog cut all one length. You can use a #2 guide comb over the clipper blade and follow the lay of the coat. If you want your dog all one length, follow all the way down the sides, tummy and legs. If you want to leave the feathering, follow the dotted lines as shown.

Use the same guide comb on top of the head. Use the clipper without the guide comb to do the muzzle, cheeks, throat and neck, as well as the top half of the ears, leaving feathering on the lower half.

Use scissors to trim excess hair on feet.

