

# Vietnam owns one of the rarest and most expensive breeds in the world

Did you know, even in our country there is a breed of dog that is classified as one of the world's rarest dogs.

Referring to the rare and expensive dog breeds, many people will think of foreign breeds like Tibetan dog or Pembroke Welsh Corgi . But you know, even in our country a breed of dog that is classified as one of the most rare dogs in the world, it is Phu Quoc dog.

Phu Quoc dog is the only native dog that only lives in Phu Quoc island, Kien Giang in our country. After many years living on this island, Phu Quoc dogs have created a very specific gene population, making them different from other dogs in the world.



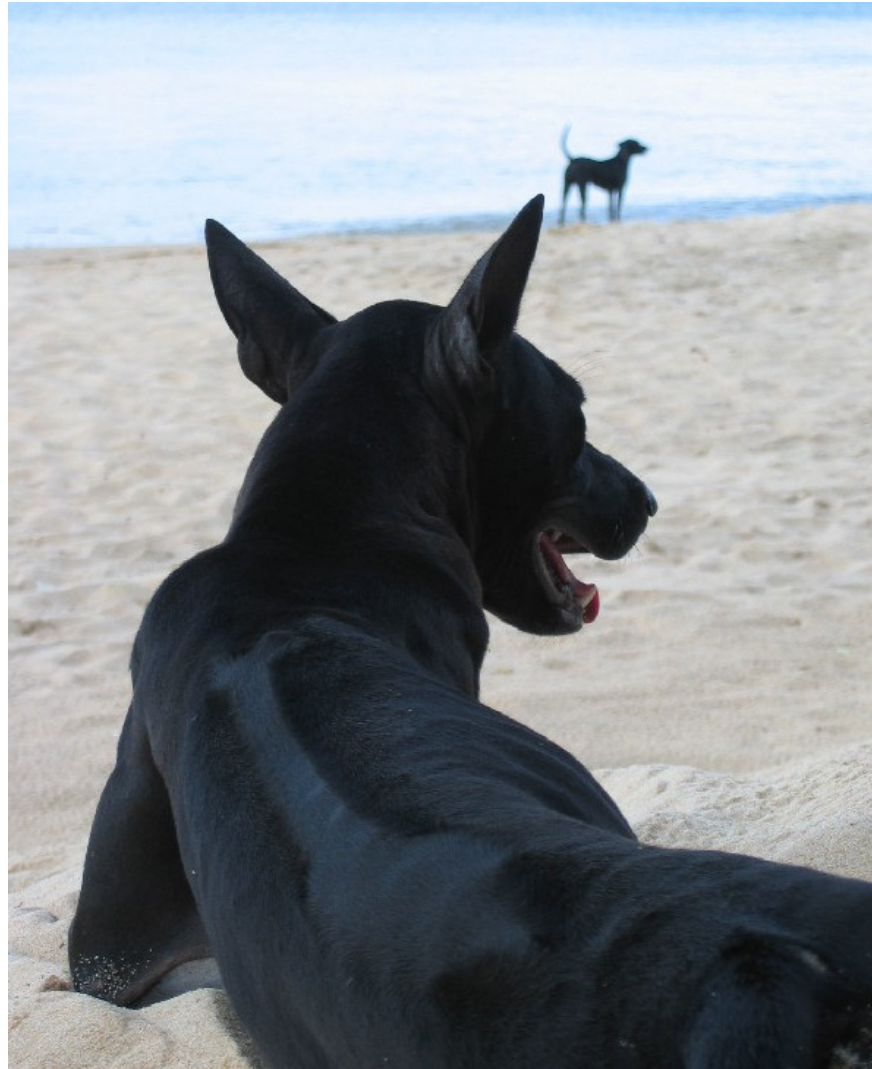
Phu Quoc dogs only live on the island so their number is very small. According to statistics, as of 2015, only about 800 Phu Quoc dogs are registered worldwide, most of which are on the island.



The most prominent and recognizable feature of Phu Quoc dogs is that they have swirling feathers that grow back along the spine. This feature only occurs in 3 dogs in the world, the other two dogs are the Ridgeback dog Rhodesia and Thai swirling dog.

Phu Quoc dogs are famous for their intelligence, easy teaching and loyalty to their owners. They obey master commands correctly without spending much time training. This makes this dog more beloved.

The coat color of Phu Quoc dog is also very special. According to longtime residents of the island, purebred Phu Quoc dogs have four basic colors: brindle, yellow, black, and spotted. Phu Quoc dog with a tiger must have a regular stripes, almost like tiger fur. Children with fire-yellow hair must be dark red in red, and black with black hair must be black, not any other hair color.

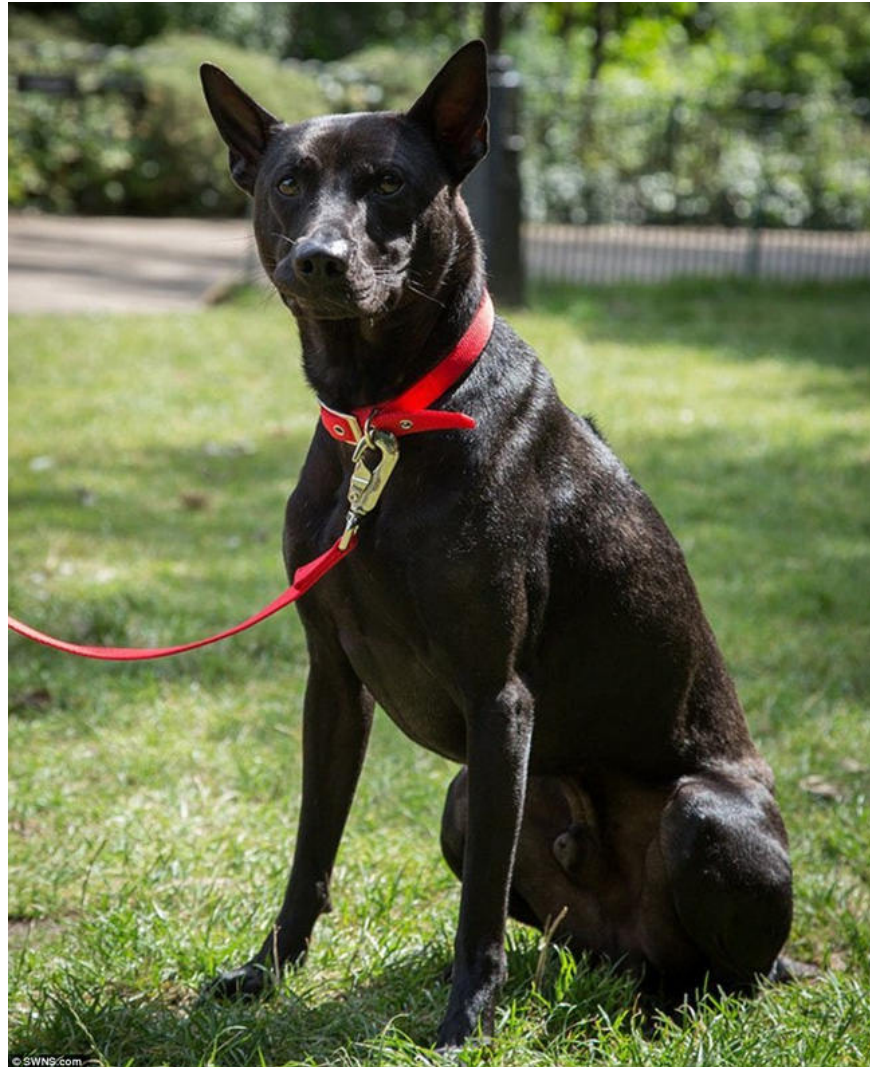


Phu Quoc dog is a hunting dog, so a dog is considered to be beautiful if it is muscular, slender, tall, stately, and has a hook-shaped tail.

Although Phu Quoc dogs are very intelligent, they are not included in the list of the smartest dogs (Border Collie tops this list). The reason is that they are too rare, not enough to form a standard set in the world. That is also the reason why Phu Quoc dog of Vietnam cannot attend many international dog competitions.

December 6, 2009, for the first time in the "Beautiful National Dog Contest 2009" held in Vietnam. Phu Quoc dogs have won the second prize when compared with many different breeds of Vietnam and the world.

On July 5, 2011, for the first time, Phu Quoc dogs were brought to Paris to attend the FCI World dog show 2011 - the beautiful world dog contest in 2011 and won the CACS (world-class beautiful dog certificate).



Dad dog in Catherine Lane's Phu Quoc dogs.

In 2015, Catherine Lane, an English woman became the first European to own Phu Quoc dogs. She brought two Phu Quoc dogs from Vietnam to the UK to feed and help them produce 4 puppies - 3, 1 male. Very quickly, Catherine Lane became famous and these overseas Phu Quoc dogs were ordered at a price of up to £ 10,000 / child (more than VND 300 million at the exchange rate at the time).

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