

PUG

THE PUG'S DISTINCTIVE FOREHEAD WRINKLES RESEMBLE THE CHINESE CHARACTER FOR PRINCE, three horizontal strokes cut through by a vertical line. This seeming accident evokes the dog's royal origins. The Pug most likely descended from the ancient Chinese Lo-size dog, which also carried the "prince" mark and is similar to the Pekingese. □ Pugs

were bred as lap dogs for the lavishly, sometimes guarded the dog extended to Tibet, by Buddhist monks, and it of the royal courts. As with origins, Pugs were originally preferences dictated its eventually became the small record shows a fascinating application of the term *pug*. English in 1566 and was affection. It accumulated



throughout the seventeenth century, including courtesan, demon, imp, and others. By the middle of the eighteenth century, the *Oxford English Dictionary* catalogued the word as "a dwarf breed of dog resembling a bull-dog in miniature." It is unknown exactly why the dog acquired the name; it derives from the Latin *pugnus*, meaning "fist," perhaps a nod to the closed-fist appearance of the Pug's face.

Chinese emperors. They lived by soldiers. Appreciation for where it was kept as a pet kept company with members many breeds with royal much larger dogs. Aesthetic decreasing size, until it dog it is today. □ Historical evolution of the usage and It first appears in written widely used as a term of a variety of connotations

