



Waratah Park Puppies

Cavoodles bred for cuddles

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CONFUSED ABOUT CAVOODLE SIZES?

Here's our helpful explanation

There is some confusion about what size a Cavoodle will grow to. Cavoodles generally come in two sizes – toy (tiny) and miniature (medium) size.

Some breeders call their cavoodles 'toy' size even if they will be up to 8kg in weight when fully grown. We classify that dog as a 'miniature' cavoodle.

Here's why there's some confusion, and our explanation, of the sizes. We hope it is helpful.
(height is measured from ground to top of shoulders/body NOT to top of head)

An adult female Cavalier stands at 30-33cm, weighs 5.9 – 8.2kg (a male Cavalier a little bigger)

An adult TOY Poodle stands at 24-28cm, and shouldn't weigh more than 4.5kg (male a little bigger)

An adult MINIATURE Poodle stands at 28-35cm and can weigh up to 14kg

(Note the huge weight range for a Miniature Poodle - anywhere from 4.5 to 14kg)

Toy poodle

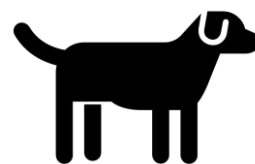
24-28cm to 4.5 kg

Cavalier

30-33cm 5.9-8.2kg

Miniature Poodle

28-35cm 4.5-14kg



On the Purina website, a cavoodle is said to weigh between 5 and 12kg and stand 25-38cm at the shoulders (the description doesn't distinguish between toy and miniature Cavoodles)

<https://www.purina.com.au/sitecore/content/PurinaAustralia/Home/owning-a-dog/dog-breeds/Cavoodle>

There are two basis on which to 'describe/classify' the size of a Cavoodle :

1. By Parentage

ie if you use a 'toy' Poodle, the Cavoodle puppies are 'Toys'

if you use a 'miniature' Poodle, the Cavoodle puppies are 'Miniatures'

irrespective of their expected adult size

OR

2. By (expected) adult size/weight

ie if your adult dog is expected to grow to 24-29cm and weigh up to 5kg it's a TOY

If your adult dog is expected to grow to 30-38cm and weigh from 5 to 9kg it's a MINI

Determined from the size and weight range of the parents irrespective of whether they are classified as 'toy' or 'miniature' by purebred standars. (more variation in Cavalier's weight than height)

Waratah Park Puppies classifies our Cavoodles as follows :

TOY CAVOODLE :

expect to grow to 24-30cm

expect to weigh up to 5kg

(ie adult size = smaller than or equal to a Cavalier in height but weighs less)



MINIATURE CAVOODLE : expect to grow to 31-38cm
Expect to weigh from 5-9kg

(ie adult size = approx equal to Cavalier or Mini Poodle in height; up to 9kg weight)



*** Some breeders claim their 'TOY' Cavoodles will grow to 28-35cm and weigh up to 8kg. (They claim a miniature Cavoodle will weigh between 12-18kg which is NOT what most Cavoodle buyers are looking for). We believe this puts lots of Cavoodle buyers off looking at miniature Cavoodles from other breeders. The breeder specialises in and only sells 'toy' Cavoodles. 95% of our Cavoodles would be 'toy' Cavoodles if following their guidelines however we believe our classification is more aligned with the purebred classification for 'toy', 'miniature' and standard' poodles and giving consideration to the size of a standard Cavalier. (Standard Poodle = 38+cm; 20+kg)*

PLEASE NOTE : We do not believe any CAVOODLE should weigh 12-18kg. If a 'Cavoodle' weighs over 12kg it probably ISN'T a Cavoodle or it is VERY unhealthy and should be encouraged back to a healthy weight.