# [Australian Mist](https://a-z-animals.com/animals/australian-mist/" \o "Australian Mist):

# The Australian Mist (or spotted Australian mist) was bred in [Australia](https://a-z-animals.com/animals/location/oceania/australia/) in the 1700s to produce a short-haired [cat](https://a-z-animals.com/animals/cat/)with a spotted coat. The Australian Mist is thought to be a mix-bred [cat](https://a-z-animals.com/animals/cat/) with mainly [Burmese](https://a-z-animals.com/animals/burmese/) and [Abyssinian](https://a-z-animals.com/animals/abyssinian/) [cat](https://a-z-animals.com/animals/cat/) blood-lines. Today the spotted part of the Australian mists name has been dropped, as the [cats](https://a-z-animals.com/animals/cat/) today often have more of a mottled than spotted coat. The Australian Mist is mainly bred in [Australia](https://a-z-animals.com/animals/location/oceania/australia/), however, more breeders of the Australian Mist are starting to appear in the [United Kingdom](https://a-z-animals.com/animals/location/europe/united-kingdom/) and North America. The Australian mist is known to have an excellent [temperament](https://a-z-animals.com/reference/glossary/#jump-temperament) and adores [human](https://a-z-animals.com/animals/human/)companionship. The Australian mist is known to be trustworthy, gentle and extremely affectionate to both [humans](https://a-z-animals.com/animals/human/) and other household [animals](https://a-z-animals.com/reference/glossary/#jump-animal) and the Australian mist is even known to be friendly towards strangers. The Australian mist is known to be around the same [size](https://a-z-animals.com/reference/glossary/#jump-size) and shape of the [Burmese](https://a-z-animals.com/animals/burmese/) [cat](https://a-z-animals.com/animals/cat/) and has even evolved with some of the [Burmese](https://a-z-animals.com/animals/burmese/) cat's playful and curious traits.

# Australian Mist Facts:

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| [Common Name](https://a-z-animals.com/reference/glossary/#jump-common-name): | Australian Mist |
| [Origin](https://a-z-animals.com/reference/glossary/#jump-origin): | Australia |
| [Average Size](https://a-z-animals.com/reference/glossary/#jump-average-size): | 60cm (2ft) |
| [Average Weight](https://a-z-animals.com/reference/glossary/#jump-average-weight): | 4.5kg (10lbs) |
| [Average Lifespan](https://a-z-animals.com/reference/glossary/#jump-average-lifespan): | 14 years |
| [Group](https://a-z-animals.com/reference/glossary/#jump-group): | Shorthair |
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| [Colour](https://a-z-animals.com/reference/glossary/#jump-colour): | Brown, Blue, Chocolate, Lilac, Caramel, Gold, Peach |
| [Average Litter Size](https://a-z-animals.com/reference/glossary/#jump-average-litter-size): | 4 |
| [Temperament](https://a-z-animals.com/reference/glossary/#jump-temperament): | Affectionate, gentle and trustworthy |