

# Tidewalker Australian Terrier Grooming Maintenance Chart



- 1. Topknot:**
- Comb forward from "knob" on top of head.
  - Cut in semicircle from edges of ears to point above the muzzle.

*Tools: brush comb, thinning shears*

- 2. Ears:**
- Strip or pluck long hair from inside and outside 1/3-2/3 down to the base.
  - Keep outside edges neat and trim with scissors or smoothly plucking.

*Tools: stripping knife, finger cots, small scissors*



- 3. Neck:**
- Strip back of neck from bony knob on back of skull between the ears to shoulders to emphasize length of neck
  - Blend with body coat.
  - Use double edged thinning shears to thin coat if necessary.

*Tools: Stripping knife, thinning shears, finger cots*

- 4. Body Coat:**
- Strip with medium stripping knife to about 1/2"-3/4" along finished length along topline and down shoulders and sides to midpoint in direction of the hair growth.
  - Use stiff natural bristle brush from neck to tail to emphasize level topline, downward over shoulders and rump.
  - Trim scraggly furnishings underneath belly to achieve smooth line emphasizing chest back to rear legs.
  - Finish with wide toothed comb.

*Tools: medium stripping knife, thinning shears bristle brush, wide toothed comb*



- 6. Face:**
- Trim whiskers in close.
  - Strip long surplus hair on cheeks back to "thumbprint" on side of face.
  - Pluck hair between the eyes and on top of muzzle.

*Tools: fine stripping knife, finger cots, small blunt nosed scissors*

- 7. Ruff:**
- Brush outward from under throat to shoulders to cultivate side neck ruff. Brush coat down to form bib-like apron.

*Tools: Brush and comb*

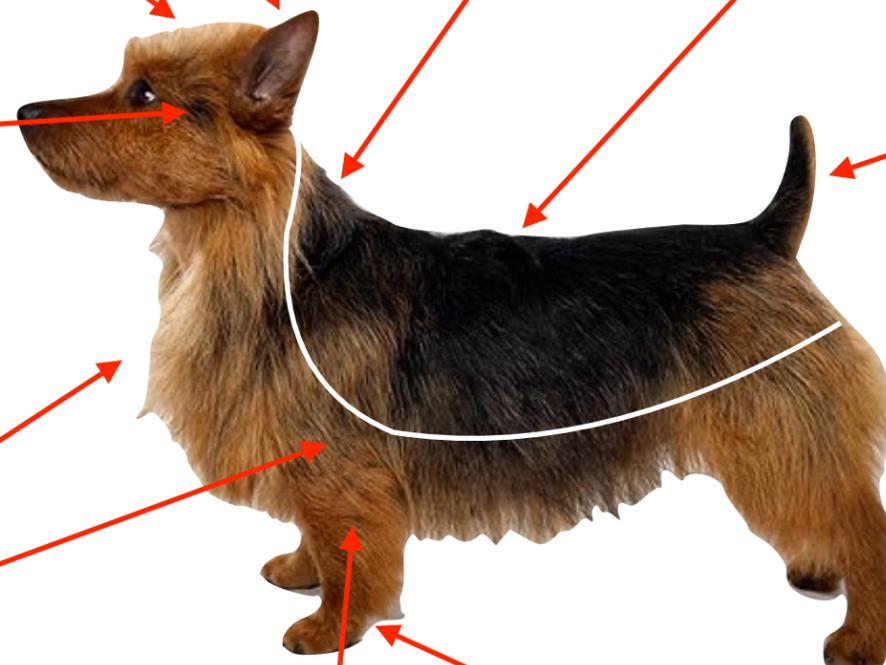
- 8. Front:**
- Remove excessive hair with stripping knife starting at the shoulders.
  - Blend down through elbow and to the feet.
  - Leave feathering on back of legs from elbow to carpus joint.
  - Remove excessive tufts around outside of elbows.

*Tools: stripping knives, thinning shears.*



- 9. Front Legs:**
- Strip front and inside short from elbow to foot leaving feathers behind leg.
  - Trim "feathers" that "stick out" too far on outside.

*Tools: stripping knife, thinning scissors, small scissors*



- 5. Tail:**
- Trim with scissors or stripping knife to blend into back or rump.
  - Trim close to tip.
  - Clean and trim around vent or male underparts.
  - Blend with stripping knife from tail on each side and back of hip.
  - Blend coat with stripping knife or by plucking down to the cowlick on rear of each leg.
  - Blend into the vent area.

*Tools: stripping knife, thinning scissors, small scissors*



- 11. Rear Legs:**
- Blend slightly from stifle to hocks, from hocks to foot.
  - Strip long hairs from hocks down completely around rear legs.

*Tools: stripping knife, thinning scissors, small scissors*

- 10. Feet:**
- Trim feet with small scissors and remove long hair between pads to resemble cat feet.
  - Cut and file nails.

*Tools: small scissors, nail clippers.*

