The same qualities that make a great herding dog are also the traits that make them incredible performance dogs.

They are excellent agility competitors, athletic disc dogs, very attentive for obedience and rally, tracking dogs and wonderful therapy, companion partners. You will also see them on flyball teams and at treiball competitions. Many enjoy dock diving and swimming. The attachment to their owners makes these dogs wonderful and protective family members. The MAS entered AKC/FSS in May 2011, moved to the Misc class in June 2012 and were approved by AKC to move into the Herding Group effective 7/1/2015













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First bred in the United States, the Miniature American Shepherd is a working herding dog, developed to emulate the appearance and character of its forebear, the Australian Shepherd, while remaining smaller in size. He is slightly longer than tall with bone that is moderate and in proportion to body size and height without extremes.

Movement is smooth, easy and balanced. Unusual agility combined with strength and stamina allows for working over a variety of terrain. This highly versatile, energetic dog makes an excellent athlete with superior intelligence and a willingness to please those he loves.

He is both a loyal companion and a biddable worker, which is evident in his watchful expression. The double coat of medium length and coarseness may be solid in color or merled, with or without white markings and/or copper trim. He traditionally has a docked or natural bobtail.

