What makes a Turkish Angora Unique

Illustrated Standard

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Presented by the TICA Turkish Angora Breed Committee
General Description

The ideal Turkish Angora is a perfectly balanced, graceful creature with a fine, silky coat. When you handle it, you are struck by the contrast between the soft flowing coat and the surprisingly firm, long muscular body beneath it.

The TA is very an intelligent, active and inquisitive breed that responds best to firm but gentle handling.

Refinement is more important than size, especially when comparing males to females.
### Point Distribution

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HEAD. ............. 40 points

- Shape 9
- Eyes 4
- Ears 12
- Chin 2
- Muzzle 2
- Profile 5
- Neck 4
- Nose 2
Eyes. ....................... 4 points

Large, walnut shaped. Slanting slightly upward, with an open expression. There is no relationship between eye color and coat color, but clarity and uniformity are paramount.
Large,
Wide at base,
Tufted, and
Slightly pointed
Set high on the head,
Vertical and erect.
Ears – Week 1
Too wide on head, angle out

Correct. Wide at base, set high on head, vertical

Ears are too far in from outside of head
Young Cats
Ears are larger

May appear smaller on full coated cat
Chin: Firm, gently rounded, with tip perpendicular to the nose.

Chin too pronounced
Muzzle. 2 points
Should be a continuation of the smooth lines of the wedge.

INCORRECT BOX LIKE MUZZLE

CONTINUOUS LINES
Profile . . . . 5

Consists of two planes formed by the flat top head and the line of the nose meeting at an angle slightly above the eyes.
Incorrect Profiles
Body ..........................40 points

- Torso: ........................................... 9
- Legs/Feet: ................................. 9
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- Boning ................................. 9
- Musculature .......................... 5
Torso 9

- Long and slender
- Foreign in Type
- Shoulders should be the same width as hips
- Medium-sized
- Narrow Chest
- Pump slightly higher than shoulders
Legs/Feet   9

- Long
- Hind legs longer than front legs
- Feet are small, oval and in proportion with legs
- Toe tufts are desirable
Tail

- Tapering from a wide base to a narrow end
- Long in proportion to body
- Full plume
Coat/Color  15

Length: Semi-longhair with slight undercoat; appearing to be single-coated. Medium long on the body

Texture: Silky and fine, with little undercoat

All Traditional Colors
BALANCE

Proportionate in all physical aspects with graceful, lithe appearance.
Allowances

Mature males: jowls, slightly broader heat, slightly wider ear set

Males may be larger than females

Kittens and young adults may not be in full coat

Kittens – growth bump on forehead or nose
Penalize

Coarseness in any feature;
Broad chest/hips/shoulder or heavy boning
Break in profile
Pronounced whisker pads or pincy

Withhold All Awards

Cobby body type
Oriental head or body type
QUESTIONS?