

KEEPING YOUR DOODLE'S COAT HEALTHY, FLUFFY & MAT-FREE

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Doodles are adorable, soft, and cuddly—but their coats are also one of the highest-maintenance coats in the dog world. Whether you have a Goldendoodle, Labradoodle, Bernedoodle, Aussiedoodle, or Cockapoo, regular coat care is essential to prevent painful matting and expensive shave-downs.

Why Doodle Coats Need Extra Care

- Doodle coats are often a mix of curly, wavy, and dense textures.
- Loose hair gets trapped in the coat instead of falling out, causing tangles and mats.

► High Friction Areas Mat Quickly

- Behind ears
- Under collars and harnesses
- Armpits
- Tail base
- Legs and feet
- Moisture from baths, rain, snow, or swimming can tighten tangles fast if not dried and brushed properly.



Everyday Doodle Coat Maintenance

► **Brush Frequently – Not Just the Top Layer**

Frequency varies by coat type:

- Curly Coats: Daily brushing
- Wavy Coats: 3-4 times per week

► **Use “Line Brushing”**

- Work in small sections: Part the coat into layers so you can see the skin.
- Start at the base: Place your brush close to the skin and use short, gentle strokes outward.
- Move upward gradually: After one area is tangle-free, lift a new section and repeat.
- Don't just skim the top: Make sure you're brushing all the way through the coat, not just the surface.
- Check your work: Use a comb after brushing—if it glides through easily, you're tangle-free.



Professional groomers and doodle owners consistently recommend the slicker brush + steel comb combination for proper coat maintenance.



Recommended Andis Tools for Doodle Maintenance

► Slicker Brushes

The Large Firm Slicker Brush, designed for professional use, is a feather-light, durable brush that effortlessly glides through all coat types. Remove dead hair from undercoats and topcoats, unravel tangles and eliminate matting with high-quality metal teeth that enhance hair health while leaving fur with a lustrous shine.

► Steel Combs

After brushing with your slicker, follow up with the Andis 10" or 7-1/2" steel comb to check your work. Gently glide it through the coat – if it catches, there's still a tangle to address. This simple step helps ensure you've reached all the way to the skin, not just the surface. With smooth, durable steel teeth, it's the key to leaving your pet's coat fully detangled, polished, and healthy-looking.

► Dematting Tool

Start with a slicker brush and steel comb to gently work through tangles. If stubborn mats remain, the Andis Dematting Tool helps break them apart safely and effectively. Use light, short strokes and work in small sections, holding the hair close to the skin to avoid pulling. The extra-sharp stainless-steel blades cut through tough snarls in hard-to-reach areas like behind ears, under legs, and around the face – so you can smooth the coat without added stress.



Medium Firm Slicker Brush
#68565



Steel Comb
7.5" - #65550 / 10" - #68545



Dematting Tool
#68775

