

ABOUT SCRUFFY TO FLUFFY

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Scruffy to Fluffy is designed to be a destination service for those who seek the highest quality of life for their beloved pets. We take the health, nutrition and fun of your pet very seriously. More than just a grooming salon... we are a "cut above" the rest. We are a salon where Fido is King and dogs rule. Leave your worries at the door and know that we will provide a warm and loving experience for you and your dog while offering the best grooming that Grove City has to offer.

We are animal owners and lovers. We focus on the safety and relaxation of your pet. All of our grooming is done where you can feel comfortable that your pet is receiving the utmost in professional and loving care! No need to worry that you are leaving your dog with a stranger. Our staff is dedicated to having them feel right at home. We believe that dogs are not just pets, but are valuable parts of our family.

Both YOU and your Pet have special needs and we welcome the opportunity to meet these needs. We offer a gentle day of relaxation at the salon, with high quality treatments that leave your dog feeling good, looking great and smelling superb

Why just make a grooming appointment when you can give your dog a SPA experience instead?

Our e-mail is scruffy2fluffy@mail.com.

Our facebook page is <http://www.facebook.com/ScruffytoFluffyohio>.

It is my hope to have the site at the property at the site listed on the form, however I can not afford to secure it and begin paying rent and doing the build out until special use permission is received.

I have contacted and plan to use "Ready, Set, Redesign", Diane Hargenere,(888-9194) an interior decorator that I have utilized on prior occasions. I fully intend to make the shop a destination place to provide quality, spa services and atmosphere for ones beloved pet.

I have staff who are designing the web-site. What follows are the pages that will be on the site. The "About Us" page will give a fuller picture of what I intend the grooming business to become.

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Services

Bath (includes brush out, neaten trim, ear cleaning, tooth brushing and nail trim) cost determined by size of dog

Flea & tick bath(\$10-20 additional cost)

Full Groom/Haircut

Deshedding Package (includes bath)

Dematting

Hand brushing

Hair cut

Leave-in-coat conditioner-\$3-10

Blueberry facial (massage)-\$15

Teeth brushing-\$7

Nail trims-\$10

Paw conditioning 15

Ear cleaning- \$5

Face Trims-\$10(to see their beautiful eyes again)

Dye Jobs-\$10 for first section. \$5 for each additional section

common areas to be dyed are Mohawks, ears, tails, and paws

Nail color

Dog Massage

Estimated Prices and Services

***All grooming sessions include a bath, brush out, ear cleaning, tooth brushing, and nail trim.**

Prices are determined by the breed, the condition of the coat and the temperament of the dog

Small Dogs (breed specific)

No Haircut-\$ 25-20

Haircut included-\$45-55

Medium dogs(breed specific)

No Haircut-\$ 35-40

Haircut included-\$55-66

Large Dogs(breed specific)

No Haircut \$45-65

Haircut included-\$75-120

Packages

Groom followed by bath package about a month later receives a financial discount per package

Biscuits and Gravy (5-8) Has your dog had breakfast or need a snack before you pick them up? Let us treat them with our gourmet indulgence

DeShedding Treatment(\$40-90 depending on size of dog)

Bath with low-shed shampoo

Deep conditioning Treatment

A brush out with deshedding tool

Reduces up to 90% of shedding with regular treatment.

The Touch-up

15 minutes of brushing, trimming, teeth brushing, breath freshner and nail trimming

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Take Me Away

20 minute dog massage, this is very beneficial for the nervous or dog in need of calming or healing

Puppy bath, brush and more

Puppies up to 5 months old get a shampoo, massage, hand-brush, blow-dry, nail trimming, ear cleaning, and a bandana

Puppy bath, brush and more + trim

Includes all of Puppy bath, brush and more services plus a hair trim on face, feet and tail

Flea & tick bath(\$10-20 additional to bath cost)

PACKAGE SPECIALS

Package #1 : Touch Up

15 minutes of brushing, trimming, teeth brushing and nail trim

Package #2: Lucky Dog

Bath

Blow dry

Nail trim

Ears cleaned

Coat brushed

Face and paws neatly trimmed

Package #3: Top Dog

Bath

Blow Dry

Grooming

Teeth Brushed

Nail Trim

Ears Cleaned

Coat Brushed

Package #4: Triple Dog Dare

EVERYTHING in package #3

The Original Blueberry Facial and Massage, (brightens & calms)

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Package #5: Hot Diggitty Dog

Everything in package #3 or #4

Followed by a scheduled bath and "tune-up" in a month

This is for the discerning dog and owner

Price receives a maintenance discount

We accept credit cards but.....

THREE DOLLAR DISCOUNT FOR CASH TRANSACTIONS !!

-Just So You Know:

We try very hard to not stress out or rush the animals. We ask for a 4 hour window (in at 8am out by noon, or in by noon and out by 4) to get your pet done and back in your arms. We usually take less time and will call to return your pet to you sooner. , We ask for your patience if we end up a little behind.

Are we booked on the day you need? Ask to be put on regular list so you always get what you want!

The ABC's of Matting

A dog's coat will become matted if dead hair is not removed with regular brushing and combing. Friction from collars, sweaters, and even movement of the body parts (such as under the armpits), can create matting. Existing mats will tighten if you bathe your dog or he goes outside in the snow or rain.

If Your Dog Is Matted

If your dog needs to be dematted, we will use our best judgement to determine whether or not we can reasonably demat the pet comfortably and safely. If we decide the coat needs to be removed we will inform you. Our main concern is not to cause the dog pain - he/she doesn't care how they look, and the coat will grow back quickly.

What To Expect After De-Matting

After the dematting process, whether it is a total shave down or not, you may see some of the following:

- Sores/scabs that were hidden by the mats
- Red, irritated skin (mats pull at the skin, cutting off the blood supply)
- Fleas or ticks may be found
- Your pet may be itchy or uncomfortable for several days. Rest assured, he will be far more comfortable when mats are removed after the initial discomfort subsides!

Regular grooming by a professional and brushing in between grooms at home, will keep your dog healthy, happy and fluffy!

TO SHAVE OR NOT TO SHAVE

With warmer temperatures many dog owners are exploring options to help their pets stay comfortable.

Shaving off all that hair is probably the most popular option. Indeed, for some coat types, this is an ideal solution. Not for all.

With the exception of hard-coated terriers, dogs come in one of two coat types: single coated and double coated.

Examples of single-coated breeds are poodles, shih-tzus, bichons, etc. This type of coat will continue to grow longer and longer, much like human hair, with genetics being the final determination in reference to length.

Double-coated or fur-bearing breeds have coats that grow to a predetermined length. They can be further separated into open coats and closed coats.

These breeds have a hard, protective outer coat (guard hairs) and a soft, dense undercoat. Examples of open, double-coated breeds are any of the spitz-type breeds, such as Siberian huskies, Pomeranians and chows.

This coat is designed to shed snow or ice and provide maximum protection against freezing weather.

Closed, double-coated breeds have noticeably longer guard hairs, which lay down over the undercoat, sort of like a blanket. While the outer, or guard, hairs get wet, the undercoat works to keep the dog's skin dry. Examples include golden retrievers, Australian shepherds and Newfoundlands.

Single-coated breeds can be clipped down to the skin, and the coat will grow back pretty much as it was before. The same is not true for double-coated breeds. For this reason, shaving these dogs down is not a solution to summer heat.

Think of a healthy double coat as an old-growth forest. There is a balance with different parts providing different benefits. If you clear-cut an old growth forest, there will be immediate regrowth of a lot of young trees very soon.

Unfortunately, they won't initially be the same kind as those you cut down. Instead, the forest has to start from scratch and spend decades, first growing ground cover and softwoods that provide an environment for slower growing hardwood varieties. It takes generations before the natural balance is restored.

While on a much shorter timeline, it's the same thing with a double-coated dog. Guard hairs represent old growth, and undercoat represents ground covering vegetation.

The act of shaving a double coat removes the dog's natural insulation and causes his system to kick into high gear. He'll now produce coat to protect himself from extreme temperatures, sunburn and sharp objects.

Since the top coat or guard hairs take a long time to grow, what the dog's body produces first is soft undercoat. That's why we hear people say, "I shaved my dog, and it grew back twice as

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thick and really fuzzy!”

In reality, what happens is that the original coat isn't restored at all. What grows in instead is thick, prolific undercoat mixed with short new guard hairs. We call it false coat or coat funk.

So, why is this bad? Picture this scenario:

It's 90 degrees outside. You're getting dressed to go work in your yard. Are you going to put on a light cotton T-shirt and sun block or thermal underwear and a sweatshirt?

A dog's shaved-down false coat is like that sweatshirt. It's dull, soft and soaks up water like a sponge. Burrs and foxtails stick like Velcro. Above all else, it's way too thick for hot weather.

By the time that false coat grows out enough to protect the dog from sunburn, scrapes and bites (the usual job of the top coat), it is so thick that the poor dog might as well be wearing thermal underwear and a sweatshirt.

Remember, Mother Nature designed the undercoat to be extremely heat-retentive.

Do you take your dog to a grooming salon? You can request a bath and blow-out. Virtually all modern professional grooming salons have high velocity blow dryers in their work areas.

These powerhouses can literally blast the dead undercoat out of your dog's hair after a thorough bathing with minimal brushing and combing needed.

The benefit to your dog is a healthy, balanced coat you can both live with. Sure, you could opt for the shave-down, but you'll more than likely be back in a month or so for another “shave-down” because your dog is cooking in its own hair.

Then, if you're like most owners who fall into this cycle, you'll intentionally let your dog's woolly false coat grow out all winter “for warmth,” only to have it shaved off again in the spring.

In reality, all winter long while you're under the false notion that your dog is staying warm and dry under that thick layer of fuzz, his coat is matting, retaining water and mud and possibly even mildewing. It will stay cold and wet for hours. Do you see the vicious cycle that started?

In some cases, owners really don't have a choice. If there's an underlying skin condition, requiring removal of the hair, obviously shaving is the lesser of two evils.

Same applies if the coat is so matted that shaving is truly the most humane option, affording the owner a chance to start over and improve their brushing skills.

These are situations to thoroughly discuss with both your veterinarian and your groomer so you can make an informed decision.

However, if your sole motivation for shaving your dog in the spring is to “keep him cool,” you need to know that you're actually creating a far worse situation than you think.

Aside from destroying coat integrity, shaved dogs are susceptible to a multitude of complications, including, but not limited to, alopecia, heat stroke and skin cancer, specifically Solar-induced Squamous Cell Carcinomas and Dermal Hemangiosarcomas.

Sometimes, these complications are not reversible.

Nancy Bynes is a certified master groomer with more than 38 years of experience. She lives in Nevada City.

FAQ

Q Should I have my dog groomed less in the winter?

A Actually, because of the affects of salt and snow on the animal's body, in general, more frequent grooming are called for in the winter

Q Why does my dog shake his head after grooming?

A As part of the grooming process we clean the ears and pluck the hair from the ear opening (unless the owner asks us not to do so) to allow the air to flow more freely into the ear to keep it dry. After cleaning and removal of the ear hair, the dog sometimes has a tickling sensation and shaking his head is the dog's way of responding to the tickle.

Q Is it true that dogs can get ear infections from water entering their ear canals during bathing?

A Water in the dog's ear canal can predispose it to infection. This is why we place cotton balls in the ear openings prior to bathing to block water from entering the ear, and then remove the cotton and clean the ears following the bath. However, most ear infections in dogs are caused from issues having nothing to do with water exposure during grooming. Floppy-eared dogs tend to have more ear problems than upright-eared dogs because air exchange is restricted by their ear flaps and an unhealthy amount of humidity will result which can create an environment for infection.

Q Is there any reason I should have my cat groomed?

A Cat's generally do a good job of grooming themselves but there are a number of reasons for grooming a cat. Some longer-haired cats tend to get matted and require professional brushing or de-matting to prevent it from worsening. In more severe cases, brushing alone is not enough and the cat has to be stripped down for comfort. Some cats get fleas or soil themselves so need professional cleaning. Some long-haired cats are prone to hair build up in their stomachs (hairballs) and professional brushing can remove "dead hair" to minimize these.

Q My pet has tangled, matted hair and the more I bath him, the worse it gets. Why is this and what can be done about it?

A Mats and tangles occur naturally, more so in some breeds with longer, finer hair. Regular brushing is required to prevent their build-up. Unfortunately, bathing without removing tangles first, results in a snowballing effect where the tangles turn to mats and get larger and tighter over time. Sometimes we can "de-mat" your pet to save the coat, but often the mats are so established they have to be shaved or cut

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out. De-matting is uncomfortable for your pet and is inherently dangerous because
the de-matting process requires the use of razor-sharp tools.

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Need an e-mail for the shop.

The proposed use is in harmony with the existing or intended character of the district and nearby affected districts and shall not change the essential character of the district.

The use of the space will be decorated by an interior decorator. The door will be painted a blue shade in keeping with the colors required in the code. The space is intended to be a "cut above" dog spa. It will be a calm, quiet and inviting space to bring one's beloved family pet.

The proposed use shall not adversely affect the use of adjacent property.

The library is on one side and an empty store front on the other side. There will only be one or two cars dropping off or picking up their pet at any given time so the parking will not adversely affect either business.

The proposed use shall not adversely affect the health, safety, morals, or welfare of persons residing or working in the neighborhood.

Any pet that is determined to have an aggressive quality will not be groomed in the facility. It is not intended to be a kennel; we will minimize the time any one dog will need to be crated. The owner, who has his law practice in the area, has addressed the noise. Should we have a dog who is a barker, following his groom and while waiting for his family to pick him up, the dog will be required to be muzzled.

2. The submitted narrative should be revised to include the following:

A description of the existing uses on adjacent lots.

The lot adjacent to the lot on the east side is an alley, then a parking lot and then the library. The use of the space immediately on the west side in an empty store front and part of the lawyer's office. There is an apartment above the dog spa.

Anticipated hours of operation and number of employees.

The anticipated hours of operation are 8-8 on Tuesday; 8-6 Wednesday, Thursday and Friday; and 9-5 on Saturday. There will be 5 employees.

A discussion of potential effects on adjacent uses such as noise and odor, and measures proposed to mitigate such effects.

The greatest potential effect would be to the apartment above the shop and possibly the lawyer's office. Should we have a dog who is a barker, we will muzzle him. We are exploring the possibility of sound dampening materials to add to the walls and ceilings of the room where the dog awaits his owner following his groom. We have obtained two odor dispensing devices at a trade show to mitigate any dog smell. The bathing room will have an anti-bacterial floor covering which will be disinfected daily. We will have classical music playing which has been scientifically proven to have a calming effect.

How animal waste will be addressed and where dogs will be walked, if part of your proposed use.

Owners will be responsible for walking their dogs prior to arrival at the salon, however we realize that not all owners are aware of the needs of the community so the staff will patrol the area on a daily basis and clean any dog waste in the grassy area to the east of the salon and in the immediate area in front of the salon.

A statement of whether or not overnight boarding will be conducted on site.

No boarding will be conducted on site.

OTHER
OFFICE
POT MY AREA

HBBOT

TUB

SINK
Shower

TUB

DRYING

REFFS

TABLE

2nd
ROOM

DOOR

CRATES

G-ROOMING
ROOM

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CURRENT
SPACE

Room 1

Room 2

Room 3