

Smeargle

Smeargle (#235)

Normal

Sex Ratio: ½ female, ½ male

Egg Group: Field

Abilities:

Own Tempo, Technician, Moody

Canisartem domesticus (Smeargle)

Smeargle are bipedal dog Pokémon with long tails that ooze paint-like oil from the tip. Each Smeargle's tail ooze is a different color. They average in at 3'11

feet tall (1.2 M) and 127.9 pounds (58 kg).

Habitat: Smeargles are overwhelmingly found in human cities, but outside of cities they can be found in oak savannahs and places with cliffs (ie: where they can both seek shelter, find food, and have places to paint/mark their territory). It is rare to find Smeargles outside of human cities, but small populations do exist elsewhere.

Life Cycles: A Smeargle is born to small litters of 1-4 pups once a year in the late Spring. They are good parents who co-parent and live in packs. The only real hierarchy in their packs is that older and more experienced Smeargles are given more respect and reverence than the younger ones. They have intricate and incredibly complex courtship rituals that involve painting.

Smeargles tend to live in caves and abandoned buildings. They live to be around twenty years old. They are eaten by most generic predators, such as large birds, snakes, and Ariadoses.

Behavior: Smeargle are hypersocial creatures that live in packs from a handful of individuals to upwards of a hundred. They mark their territory and communicate with an intricate series of marks made with their tails, which scientists have collected over 5,000 unique marks created by Smeargles. There are vast regional differences in these marks and packs and individuals often have their own that separate them from others in the area. Scientists have come to understand that this is written language, albeit more rudimentary than human languages, but still capable of conveying key information and individuality. The study of Smeargle linguistics is a developing field of language science!

On the back of each Smeargle, they are marked with a paw print by their parent to show that they are a member of the pack. Some groups have more distinct paw marks, while others go for simpler designs. These paw marks must be remade regularly; the process is a regular part of the grooming rituals, where a pack mate marks another and reclaims them as a member of the pack.

Diet: Smeargles are omnivores that can be seen rifling through human garbage and gardens. Be careful what you put in the garbage!

Conservation: Least Concern

Base Stats

HP	55
Attack	20
Defense	35
Sp. Attack	20
Sp. Defense	45
Speed	75

