

## Shikoku Colours:

The breed standard (Nippo & CKC) states:

**Hair:** Outer coat rather harsh and straight, undercoat soft and dense.  
The hair on the tail is rather long.

**Colour:** Sesame, black sesame and red sesame.”

In addition to these colours, Shikoku can also be Cream and Black and Tan; neither being a desired colour for show and breeding.

So, what does “Sesame actually look like? Well here are some examples:

Below is a black sesame. The pictures show the colour development during the timeline 4 weeks, 6 weeks, 6 months and 1 year old. (this dog was actually registered as a red sesame)



Below is a red sesame. The pictures show the colour development during the timeline 12 weeks, 8 months and 1 1/2 year old.



And here is another example of a black sesame. The pictures show the colour development during the timeline 5 weeks, 5 months, 7 months and 3 years old.



