

**UPDATE:** Visit [www.furfree.hsus.org](http://www.furfree.hsus.org) for ways to help, and to see footage of dogs and raccoon dogs skinned alive for fur.

## **2005-2007 HSUS Fur Investigation Finds Domestic Dog and Raccoon Dog**

An ongoing investigation by The Humane Society of the United States has found raccoon dog fur being sold by some of the largest names in fashion, but either falsely labeled or advertised as another species—or even as faux—or not labeled at all. The lack of any fur labeling on one of the raccoon dog fur jackets was especially problematic, because the garment was being sold as “faux fur” by the online store. If the loophole in the Fur Products Labeling Act had been closed already, the consumers who bought this “faux fur” jacket online could have checked the label and realized they had been duped.

The investigation also uncovered three retailers selling brand name jackets advertised as “faux” that were actually trimmed with fur from domestic dogs, which has been banned since 2000 by the Dog and Cat Protection Act. Two of the jackets had no fur labeling, and one called the dog fur “Nylon Coyote.”

| Sample | Purchase Date | Retailer                           | Designer / Brand            | Advertised-Species | Label-Species       | Test Results-Species | Label-Fur Origin    | Label-Country of Manu. |
|--------|---------------|------------------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------|---------------------|----------------------|---------------------|------------------------|
| 1      | Dec. 2006     | Burlington Coat Factory            | Calvin Klein                |                    | "Raccoon"           | Raccoon Dog          | "China"             | "China"                |
| 2      | Dec. 2006     | Burlington Coat Factory            | Baby Phat                   |                    | "Coyote"            | Raccoon Dog          | "China"             | "China"                |
| 3      | Oct. 2006     | J.C. Penney                        | a.n.a                       |                    | "Raccoon"           | Raccoon Dog          | "China"             | "China"                |
| 4      | Dec. 2006     | Burlington Coat Factory            | Baby Phat                   | "faux fur"         | "Raccoon"           | Raccoon Dog          | "China"             | "China"                |
| 5      | Dec. 2006     | Burlington Coat Factory            | Baby Phat                   | "faux fur"         | "Raccoon"           | Raccoon Dog          | "China"             | "China"                |
| 6      | Dec. 2006     | Burlington Coat Factory            | Baby Phat                   | "faux fur"         | "Coyote"            | Coyote               | "China"             | "China"                |
| 7      | Dec. 2006     | Macys.com                          | Sean John                   | "faux fur"         | "Raccoon"           | Raccoon Dog          | <i>Not on label</i> | "China"                |
| 8      | Oct. 2005     | Bloomingdale's                     | WEEKEND MaxMara             |                    | "Finni Raccoon"     | Raccoon Dog          | "CINA"              | "China"                |
| 9      | Oct. 2005     | Sak's Fifth Ave                    | Andrew Marc                 |                    | "Raccoon"           | Raccoon Dog          | <i>Not on label</i> | "China"                |
| 10     | Oct. 2005     | Macy's                             | MICHAEL Michael Kors        |                    | "Raccoon"           | Raccoon Dog          | "China"             | "China"                |
| 11     | Dec. 2006     | Dereon.com                         | House of Dereon             | "raccoon"          | "Raccoon"           | Raccoon Dog          | <i>Not on label</i> | "China"                |
| 12     | May 2006      | D.E.M.O                            | Rocawear                    |                    | <i>No fur label</i> | Raccoon Dog          | <i>No fur label</i> | "China"                |
| 13     | Dec. 2006     | Rocawear.com                       | Rocawear                    | "faux fur"         | <i>No fur label</i> | Raccoon Dog          | <i>No fur label</i> | "Vietnam"              |
| 14     | Dec. 2006     | Rocawear.com                       | Rocawear                    | "raccoon"          | "Raccoon"           | Raccoon Dog          | <i>Not on label</i> | "China"                |
| 15     | Dec. 2006     | Ross                               | Calvin Klein                |                    | "Canis Latranis"    | Raccoon Dog          | "USA"               | "China"                |
| 16     | Jan. 2007     | Lord & Taylor                      | DKNY                        |                    | "Raccoon"           | Raccoon Dog          | "China"             | "China"                |
| 17     | Jan. 2007     | Barneys.com                        | Spiewak                     | "fur"              | "Coyote"            | Wolf                 | <i>Not on label</i> | "USA"                  |
| 18     | Jan. 2007     | Shoptommy.com (Tommy Hilfiger)     | Tommy Hilfiger              | "fake fur"         | "Nylon Coyote"      | Dog                  | <i>Not on label</i> | "China"                |
| 19     | Jan. 2007     | Nordstrom.com                      | Joie                        | "faux-fur"         | <i>No fur label</i> | Dog                  | <i>No fur label</i> | "China"                |
| 20     | Jan. 2007     | Bluefly.com                        | MARC New York (Andrew Marc) | "faux fur"         | <i>No fur label</i> | Dog                  | <i>No fur label</i> | "China"                |
| 21     | Jan. 2007     | BergdorfGoodman.com                | Bogner                      | "rabbit"           | "Asian Raccoon"     | Raccoon Dog          | <i>Not on label</i> | "China"                |
| 22     | Jan. 2007     | NeimanMarcus.com                   | Andrew Marc                 | "raccoon"          | "Raccoon"           | Raccoon Dog          | "Finland"           | "China"                |
| 23     | Jan. 2007     | Footlocker.com                     | Rocawear                    | "rabbit"           | <i>No fur label</i> | Raccoon Dog          | <i>No fur label</i> | "China"                |
| 24     | Jan. 2007     | Loehmann's (via Smartbargains.com) | OSCAR (Oscar de la Renta)   | "raccoon"          | <i>No fur label</i> | Raccoon Dog          | <i>No fur label</i> | "China"                |
| 25     | Jan. 2007     | Dillards.com                       | MICHAEL Michael Kors        | "raccoon"          | "Raccoon"           | Raccoon Dog          | "China"             | "China"                |