

Fanning the Flames of Puppy Love

Dakota Fanning talks about her dream dog.

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Dakota Fanning's meteoric rise has allowed her to work with many of today's top actors, including Sean Penn, Denzel Washington and Tom Cruise. But what the 12-year-old actress, who makes millions of dollars per film, really wants is a dog.

"I want a dog really, really bad," moaned the actress to Entertainment Weekly. "But my mom's really clean, and she thinks dogs are dirty, so I don't know if I'm going to get one anytime soon."

Fanning says her dream dog is a longhaired Chihuahua. "I already have a leash picked out, and it has feathers around the collar. I can't wait! I'm so excited! I'm gonna call her London, like England. And I'm gonna paint her toenails!"

If she can't have a dog at home, at least Fanning can work with scores of animals on a film. The actress plays Fern in "Charlotte's Web," which hits theaters on Dec. 15.