



April Newsletter

A New Kitten

There are several ways to getting a new kitten. You can adopt on from the local shelter or adoption clinic. You can also look for breeders who specialize in certain breeds of cats. Word-of-mouth or a visit to your local veterinary office is also a good way to finding available kittens.

Most of your cat's behavior is pre-determined from genetics but will be developed by you. You should start to train your kitten when you first bring home your new pet.

Cats thrive on routine. Be consistent in when you feed, groom and play with your kitten. After awhile your kitten will let you know if you are late in one of your activities.

To keep your kitten healthy and fit schedule regular 10 to 15 minute play sessions throughout the day. This will not only help you bond to your new kitten but will keep them in shape.

You should brush and/or comb your kitten's coat and clip their nails at a regular interval. This will help reduce hairballs and scratching problems. Some breeds of cats will need ear cleanings and/or baths.

Use a flea comb on weekly on your kitten to check for flea dirt and fleas. Make sure you treat both your kitten and your kitten's environment to eliminate infestation and guard against future problems. Ask your veterinarian to recommend over-the-counter or prescription products that are safe for your kitten and your household.

Your kitten's overall health is your responsibility. Take your kitten to your veterinarian for a basic exam, schedule vaccinations and spay or neuter your new pet. Altering your pet will cut down on behavioral issues and protect your pet's health. If you decide to let your kitten have an indoor-only lifestyle, this will lengthen your kitten's lifespan and eliminate emergencies such as car accidents, poisoning, animal attacks and abuse.

Enjoy and Love Your New Kitten!

On The Lighter Side!

A guy is driving around Oklahoma and he sees a sign in front of a house: "Talking Dog For Sale." He rings the bell and the owner tells him the dog is in the backyard.

The guy goes into the backyard and sees a Labrador retriever sitting there.

"You talk?" he asks.

"Yep," the Lab replies.

"So, what's your story?"

The Lab looks up and says, "Well, I discovered that I could talk when I was pretty young. I wanted to help the government, so I told the CIA about my gift, and in no time at all they had me jetting from country to country, sitting in rooms with spies and world leaders, because no one figured a dog would be eavesdropping. I was one of their most valuable spies for eight years running."

"But the jetting around really tired me out, and I knew I wasn't getting any younger so I decided to settle down. I signed up for a job at the airport to do some undercover security wandering near suspicious characters and listening in."

"I uncovered some incredible dealings and was awarded a batch of medals. I go married, had a mess of puppies, and now I'm just retired."

The guy is amazed. He goes back in and asks the owner what he wants for the dog.

"Ten dollars," the guy says.

"Ten dollars? This dog is amazing. Why on earth are you selling him so cheap?"

"Because he's a damn liar. He never did any of that stuff."

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