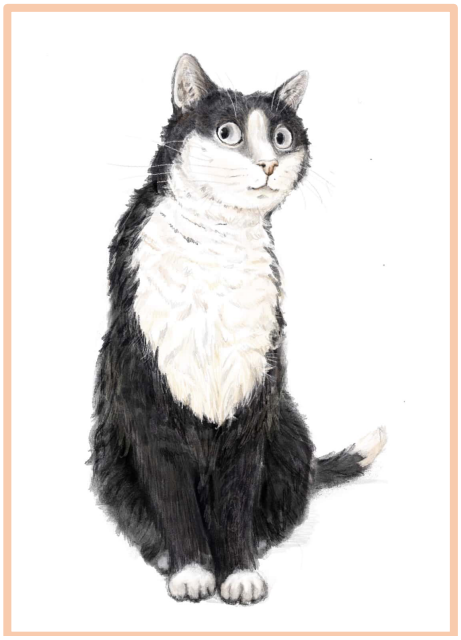
Cat Facts



Cats love to stretch and scratch - it keeps them limber and their claws sharp.

Cats love to watch anything that moves in their realm -- from kids playing in the yard, to birds and insects flitting past, to the squirrel in the tree.

Cats can jump up to six times their length.

Cats are nearsighted and colorblind, but their peripheral vision and night vision are much better than that of humans.

Cats' claws all curve downward, which means that **they can't climb down trees head-first**. Instead, they have to back down the trunk.

Cats walk like camels and giraffes: They move both of their right feet first, then move both of their left feet. No other animals walk this way.

Cats are most active at dawn and dusk.

Cats can spend up to a **third of their waking hours** grooming.

Cats have the **largest eyes relative to their head size** of any mammal.

Cats make very little noise when they **walk around**. The thick, soft pads on their paws allow them to sneak up on their prey.

Cats use their **long tails to balance themselves** when they're jumping or walking along narrow ledges.

Your **cat drapes its tail** over another cat, your dog, or you as a symbol of friendship.

If your cat approaches you with a straight, almost **vibrating tail**, this means that she is extremely happy to see you.

When dogs wag their tails, they may be expressing happiness. When a cat **wags her tail**, it's her way of warning you that you are getting on her last nerve.

Cats may **yawn as a way to end a confrontation** with another animal.

Hissing is defensive, not aggressive. It's an expression of fear, stress or discomfort of a threatened cat communicating "stay away."

Cats use their whiskers to **"feel" the world around them** to determine which small spaces they can fit into. Whiskers are a

good indicator of a cat's mood. When a cat is scared, he put his whiskers back. But when a cat is in hunting mode, he puts his whiskers forward.

A house cat's genome is 95.6 percent tiger and they share many behaviors with their jungle ancestors. These behaviors include scent marking by scratching, prey play, prey stalking, pouncing, chinning and urine marking.

Surprising Facts About Cats

- **It turns out that Abraham Lincoln was a crazy cat president! He had four cats that lived in the White House with him.**
- **President Bill Clinton's cat, Socks, was a media darling during the Clinton administration and was said to receive more letters than the President himself.**
- **A cat's learning style is about the same as a 2- to 3-year-old child.**
- **Cats dream, just like people do.**
- **Each cat's nose print is unique, much like human fingerprints.**
- **Studies suggest that domesticated cats first appeared around 3600 B.C.**
- **There are about 88 million pet cats in the United States, which makes them the most popular pet in the country!**

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