Tortoiseshell (Calabate)



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What is a tortoiseshell cat?

A tortoiseshell cat (often affectionately called a "tortie") is a cat with a distinctive coat pattern made up of a mix of black, orange, and sometimes white fur. The colors are usually mottled or blended together rather than forming clear patches, which sets them apart from calico cats, which have more distinct color blocks.



KEY CHARACTERISTIC



COLOR PATTERN

GENDER

BREED

A mix of black and orange (sometimes cream, gold, gray, or brown).

Almost always female. This is due to the genetics of coat color being linked to the X chromosome.

"Tortoiseshell" refers to the color pattern, not a breed. Many breeds can have tortoiseshell coat.

PERSONALITY :(ANECDOTAL):

Some owners and breeders believe tortoiseshell cats have a strong-willed or spunky temperament, sometimes referred to as "tortitude." However, this hasn't been scientifically proven.



VARIANTS OF TORTOISESHELL



Torbie

A mix of tortoiseshell and tabby markings (also called "patched tabby").

Dilute tortie

Softer versions of the colors—gray (blue) and cream.



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