

The normal body temperature of a cat is between 100.5 ° and 102.5 °F. A cat is sick if its temperature goes below 100 ° or above 103 °F.

Your cat's heart beats at a rate almost double that of yours, from 110-140 beats per minute.

Smuggling a cat out of ancient Egypt was punishable by death. Phoenician traders eventually succeeded in smuggling felines, which they sold to rich people in Athens and other important cities.

A cat rubs against people not only to be affectionate but also to mark out its territory with scent glands around its face. The tail area and paws also carry the cat's scent.

Cats' eyes shine in the dark because of the tapetum, a reflective layer in the eye, which acts like a mirror.

A cat can jump up to five times its own height in a single bound.