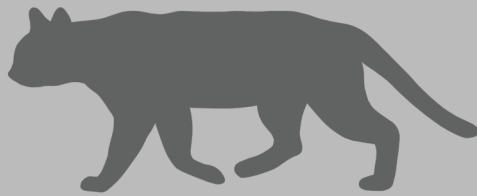


Standardized Coat Descriptions

A GUIDE TO CLASSIFYING CATS

1

Fur length



SHORT-HAIR

Fur does not hang off the body



LONG-HAIR

Fur noticeably hangs off the body

2

Pattern

Cats display a wide variety of coat colors and patterns. When classifying cats for later reidentification, utilizing a standard set of descriptions can help others re-identify the same cat in other photos even if some information is lost.

SOLID CATS

one color



White



Buff



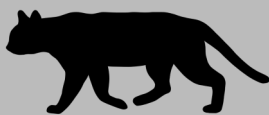
Orange



Brown



Gray



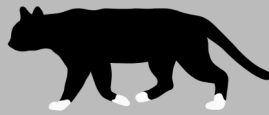
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BICOLOR CATS

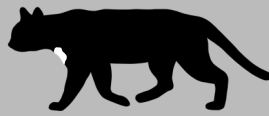
two colors



Tuxedo - Solid body with white patches on paws, ankles and chest



Mitted - Solid body with white paws and/or ankles



Locket - Solid body with a path of color on the chest



Harlequin - Non-uniform patches of color against a solid body



Marbled Tabby - Thick bands in a circular pattern on a solid body



Mackerel Tabby - Thin vertical stripes on a solid body

POLYCHROME CATS

several colors



Points - Pale and solid body turning darker at the legs, tail, etc.



Calico - Distinct orange and black patches on a solid white body



Tortoiseshell - Indistinct patches of orange and brown on a black body

MIXED-PATTERN CATS

several patterns



Tuxedo-Tabby - Tuxedo pattern over an otherwise tabby pattern



Tuxedo-Tortie - Tuxedo pattern over an otherwise tortoiseshell pattern