A Look At Cat Breeds

Over the last thousands of years, cats have pretty much handled their breeding
themselves. In the beginning, they were used for one purpose - hunting and
killing rodents. As the years progressed, we began to breed cats more to our
liking. Now days, there are several different breeds of cats - which you can
tell if you look closely.

These days there are over 70 distinct cat breeds, which are recognized through
cat registries. There are several registries that will recognize around 40
breeds or so, as they exclude the more domestic breeds such as tigers. There
are also many variations as well, including wild cats that have longer hair.

There are some cat breeds who have roots going back quite a bit in history.
Some Japanese breeds, such as the Japanese Bobtail, can be traced back more than
1,000 years in history. These cats were very common and well known throughout
Medieval Japan. Now days though, they are all but a myth throughout Japan and
the entire world.

The more common cat breeds that are found in North America include the alley
cat, long haired cat, and Persian cat. Siamese cats are also common, although
they are well known to be destructive and to have a foul temper. Persian cats
are very popular, proving to be loving companions. Persian cats can be very
expense, depending on where you get it and what type of Persian cat it is.

Alley cats are the most common in North America. There are actually several
different breeds, although most of us just refer to them as alley cats. They
make good pets, although there are literally thousands of them in existence.
Cats are known to breed more than any other pet, and they will continue to breed
until they are stopped. Alley cats are among the most bred, as there are
hundreds of thousands of cats that are homeless - and have nothing to do but
breed.

The look of the cat is the easiest way to tell what breed he or she may be.
Some people choose to go by color, although color isn't as easy to identify.
Different breeds of cats have different looks, such as the Siamese and Persian
cats. Siamese cats are almost always black, and easy to identify by their color
and their eyes. Persian cats on the other hand, are easily identified by their
body type and their hair.

Over the years, there has been quite a few breeds come along. Cats were one of
the first pets, and easily one of the most popular. Millions of people around
the world own cats, with many people preferring a cat over any other pet -
including dogs. No matter breed of cat you get - you're sure to get a pet who
make for a great companion for years and years to come.

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