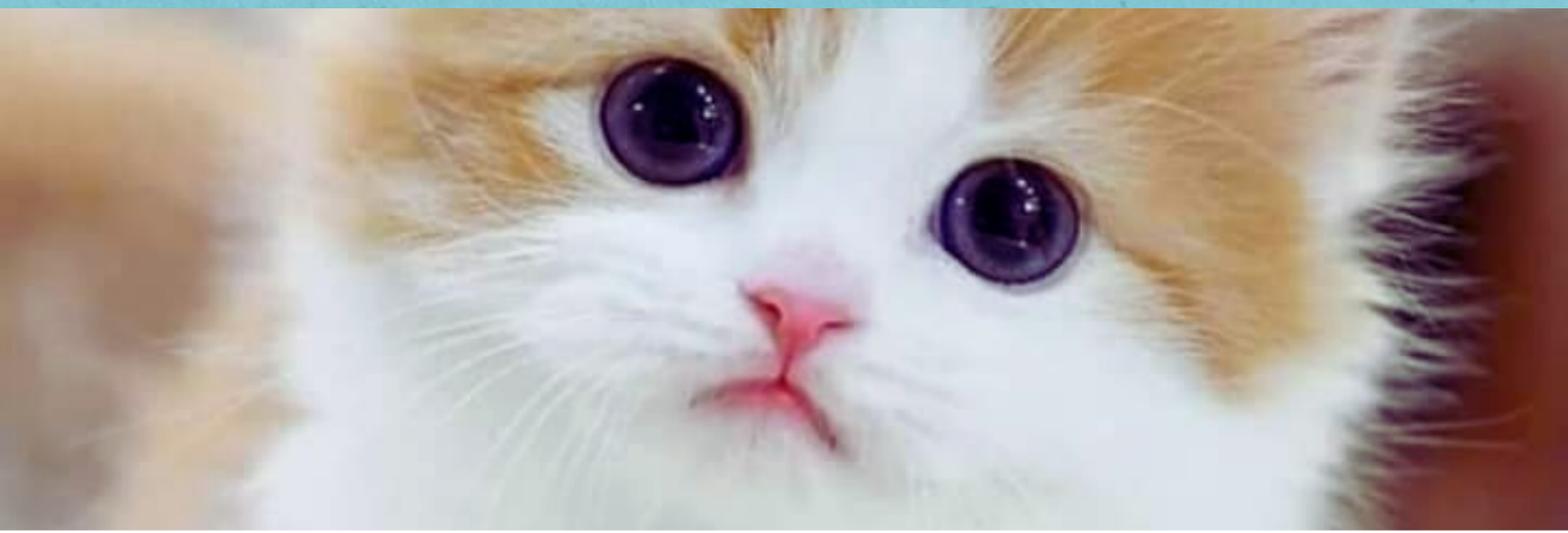


MISCONCEPTIONS ABOUT

CATS



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All cats of all ages are lactose intolerant! Even though many love the taste, dairy can cause GI upset. Avoid dairy, or limit to rare, tiny portions (ex: whipped cream during training). Feed kittens only specially formulated kitten milk replacer.



ANTI-SOCIAL



Because dogs are social and cats don't act like dogs, this does not mean cats are anti-social.



Solitary tiger behavior is not evidence that cats are solitary too. Lion prides are better wild examples of cat social behavior.



Many cats are really stressed when left alone too much. How long they can be left varies by cat, with some being needier than others.



Cats can experience separation anxiety, loneliness, and boredom just like dogs and humans do

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- Something that worked for your past cat may not necessarily work for your current cat.
- Just because your cat liked a previous pet, does not mean she will like all new pets you bring home. Slow integration and acclimation are key.
- Treat every cat and every cat relationship as a unique entity.



MOODY & INTOLERANT



- Many cats are picked up, petted, and handled whether they like it or not, yet may be ignored when they ask for it to stop.
- Like any prey species, cats are typically not comfortable with big or sudden changes nor unfamiliar things.
- The average cat receives chronically inadequate mental and physical stimulation.
- With all this, it any wonder that so many frustrated, stressed-out and bored cats seem moody? Like any intelligent creature, cats have feelings, opinions, needs and desires!

