

Kali

Currently Eating

Dry Food: Purina Kitten Chow always available

Canned Food: Pate style Friskies, Fancy Feast or Purina Beyond

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In a Nutshell

Kali can be timid in new situations and at first with new people, new sounds and sometimes new things. But she warms up quickly, especially if we pull out a Cat Dancer toy. She adores running around playing with her brothers and sisters, and especially playing with us. She loves cuddles and lap time very much. She is demanding of attention and will step on anyone else in order to achieve her goal. She understands what "no" means, but doesn't care unless she feels the loss of approbation. I'm pretty sure Kali would like to be an only cat with a person who appreciates their importance in her daily life.



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About Kali

Kali, along with her feral mother, two brothers and two sisters, came to stay with us at the end of June. Her mom did not want to be with humans, and Kali understandably believed we were up to no good. Her mom stayed for about three weeks before she was able to be spayed and returned to her home in a feral cat colony where she's fed and looked after by a colony caretaker.



Shortly before mom left us, Kali started to relax with me when I'd pick her up and hold her. As she became more comfortable, I'd let her come out of the cage and run around with her already adjusted litter mates. She loved the freedom to run and explore and play with toys.

Kali was reserved at first when I'd hold her, but she's a total love now. She's a big girl like her mom, so she's able to shove her litter mates out of the way in order to get to me. She also will just step on them or lay down on top of them if they get to my lap first.

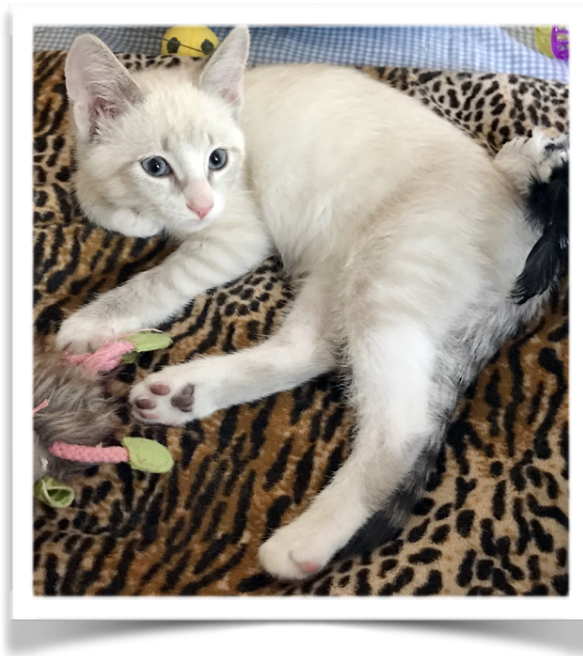
She does love to play and wrestle with her siblings, but she's definitely a cry-baby. If anyone bites her or tackles her, she'll let out her loud squeals and can get cranky,

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hissing and swatting at them. She could be rough at first when we'd play, but now she tries to be quite gentle with me.

Kali is very high energy and is restless, having trouble settling down. She's a talker and is often "discussing" what she's up to. She loves stretching out on the bedside table and watching out the window all the movement and light. She often talks to bugs, leaves and birds outside.

Kali has beautiful markings and a soulful, intent gaze. She is deeply connected and wants to have human companionship as often as she can. When she hears us doing anything in the proximity of their room, she call loudly to us asking for company.



Eating

Kali is a good eater. She always has dry food available and water available. Although Kali has always been very healthy, two of her litter mates had upset tummies and eventually URI for a while. Because of this, I've offered them all soft food three times a day. For Kali and those not having tummy trouble, they get a little bit of canned food in

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the morning, mid-day and evening. She LOVES canned food! Obviously, she doesn't need it three times a day, but she so enjoys the treat.

She has also occasionally had cat treats which she also adores. She's what I'd call typically food motivated.

Litter Box

Kali has impeccable litter box manners. She started out using non-clumping clay litter, but we've progressed to Tidy Cats Free and Clean Unscented clumping litter.

With five kittens, there's always litter scattered outside the box. They have two standard sized boxes and one small. That one was her favorite, but she's too big to use it easily, though will sometimes still try. She'd probably do well with a large and deep box, and would most likely prefer it to be located in a reasonably secluded location. She does like to dig, so deeper litter is good for her. She also likes to hop around and play in the litter box, which scatters litter around.



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Housing

When they first arrived with feral mom, they all lived in a cage in my guest bedroom bathroom. As the kittens became more comfortable with me through feeding, cleaning and playing with them through the cage, they each were able to come outside the cage to play. Once mom got to go home, I left the cage where they were accustomed to eating and using the litter box, but added additional food water and litter outside the cage. They enjoyed running in and out and not being confined. Eventually, I opened up the bathroom door so they could also have the run of the guest bedroom as well. They know where food and litter are and no accidents have occurred.

Recently they've all decided they're ready to run outside the room to explore the rest of my house. They made the decision about when they were comfortable and ready to explore outside their boundaries.



Bedding and Sleeping

Kali likes relaxing in my lap until she's really ready to fall asleep. Then she loves to either move over to the kitty bed with the edges she can lean against, or stretches out on a mat or folded blanket on the bed or a chair, sometimes with her back against a pillow. She also likes to stretch out on the bedside table and look out the window.

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Though she sleeps near siblings sometimes, she doesn't really curl up with them much. In fact, she's more likely to lay down on top of someone who occupies the spot she wants (as in the photo -previous page- where she's on top of Dante).

Playing and Toys

Kali loves it when I toss toys either onto the bed or from the bed to the floor. She chases them and catches them when they land. Sometimes she'll grab one in her mouth and run around the room pretending it's alive.

She really will play well with most toys, but some of her favorites are interactive. She loves the Cat Dancer toy, especially when I run it up the wall so the wire makes a little sound. She'll come running from across the room to jump for it and catch it. She'll also often grab one end and walk off with the entire toy - "stealing it".

She also loves the laser toy, which I run across the rug and up the walls. She spies that little red dot and starts the kitty chattering they use when they're stalking birds or bugs. Darling!



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Toys with feathers don't last very long, but she does enjoy playing with them. Any plush toy or furry mice or toys that make noise are also fun for her. In fact, we have a crinkle tunnel with a cut-out in the middle. She loves to run through that or chase toys through it or jump inside through the cut-out.

On my iPad and iPhone I have the Friskies Cat Fishing Game which she enjoys playing. She'll sit and poke at the screen "catching" the fish for quite a while. Sometimes she'll even curl up next to it and just watch, getting all sleepy eyed and happy.

Another thing she seems to enjoy is a scratching post that has marbles embedded in it's base. She likes watching the marbles roll around and then pokes her paws in to scoot them along.



Grooming and Behavior

She's very clean and a dedicated groomer. Besides her normal cleaning up and getting "pretty" routine, she's also good about keeping her claws sharpened on the sisal covered vertical scratching posts we have around the room. We also have an incline scratching post, but she hasn't really adopted that for scratching.

Since she's still a kitten, she sometimes tries to use other things to scratch, so she'll need some guidance and feedback on what's acceptable in her new home.

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Kali is a climber. She'll climb anything including me. I've mostly corrected her climbing up me behavior with a little water splashed at her face. Sometimes she forgets. She climbs onto the bed, which is ok with me, but may not be with you, so she may need correction. A misting water bottle has worked for most cats I've had to modify behavior.

She also climbs the curtain on the window - she knows I don't want her to, but I still often find she's been at it when I'm not paying attention.



Her Ideal New Home

Kali is a very loving girl who wants attention and focus. She's comfortable with other kittens, though hasn't wanted anything to do with my cat. I suspect she would be able

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to integrate since she's lived with other kittens thus far, but I also really believe she would LOVE to be an ONLY CAT. She's is very jealous of any attention I give the others, whether it's playing, talking to or simply looking at them.

She likes a lap at times, and loves to lean back against you and look up into your eyes. She loves good food and special treats. She wants a constant companion, but would probably settle for less than constant if during those times the focus is on her.

She's timid and likes to feel safe and in familiar surroundings. She wants someone who will make sure she feels safe.

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Videos with Kali

Mealtime <https://youtu.be/YV-vp8gjYqQ>

Playtime <https://youtu.be/SWRusn1w154>

Getting Acquainted <https://youtu.be/4JA5nHDPd2I>

Changing the lightbulb <https://youtu.be/T4NRDEMb0fU>

Kali talking to a bug <https://youtu.be/IFrFWWly-D8>

Kittens play time https://youtu.be/J8xu_g7CDFY