

Chalk Mountain Family Farm

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New Kitten Tips

After weeks of counting down, it's finally time to pick up your new kitten! With that being said.... I just wanted to give you a few helpful new kitten tips to take home with you. That way we can both work toward easing the transition for your kitten from our home to yours.

I will be providing you with a folder containing all of your kitten's paperwork including:

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I will also provide you with a bag of dry food that I use if needed.

Feeding: I feed the Purina One Kitten Development and I would suggest keeping your kitten on this food while adjusting to its new home. When your kitten gets better adjusted: if you choose to switch to a different brand of food be sure to do it SLOWLY with mixing the food. I feed free choice dry food, meaning: they can eat when they want and how much they want. As your kitten ages, you may change this schedule to meet his/her needs. Purina's website has a lot of information and I highly recommend using them as a resource.

Environment: After arriving home, I suggest starting your kitten out in a small quiet room where its litter box will be. After a few days, slowly adjust to more room or run of the house as your kitten becomes more used to its new surroundings and smells.

Every kitten is different. Please have patience with your new kitten and allowing it to adjust. It is normal for them to be a little nervous the first few days. Just pay attention to their personality and if they are playing, purring, and seem relaxed then they are getting use to things. If they are still hiding and not interested in playing just give them a little more time. It is also a good idea to give your kitten an area to rest away from constant attention from children. Our Bengal kittens are very well socialized around children, but we also give them time to rest and sleep between play times.

Litter: Currently I use Clumping clay litter, however I have also used other types of litter. I also recommend keeping your litter box uncovered until your kitten has consistently remembered where it is. As you allow your kitten roam a larger area of the house – make sure he/she remembers where the litter box is. This will help you to avoid letterbox accidents.

Scratching: I recommend making sure your kitten has a place they are allowed to scratch. The cardboard scratching boards are a perfect option. Just sprinkle some catnip into them and allow your kitten to scratch away. This is a good way to keep your kitten from scratching at furniture.

I hope to make the transition for kittens and new owners as smooth as possible.

Please do not hesitate to let me know if you have ANY questions.

We have enjoyed your kitten! Feel free to send us pictures and videos.

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