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## **“Meow Supplies”**

**These are just a few of the things that we at  
Molly's Mutts & Meows like for your new feline friend:**

### **Collar and Identity tag**

All cats should have a collar, an identity tag AND a micro-chip. We encourage all cats to remain indoors, *but they should still have on a collar and an identity tag*. Since cats can crawl into small spaces and jump up into high places, we recommend a “snap on/snap off” collar for safety. This way, if your cat ever gets stuck somewhere (like under the bed, up in a closet, etc), he/she won't be in danger of choking if his/her collar gets stuck on something. It will snap off.

### **Water and Food Bowls**

Every pet should have their own food bowl but often they like to share water bowls. We think stainless steel bowls are the healthiest bowls you can use. They keep bacteria away!

### **Litter Box**

When your cats go potty, they like a little privacy and their own space. Ideally, you should have the same number of litter boxes that you do cats. Keep the litter boxes out of high traffic areas and away from your dogs. (Dogs love a little bit of “kitty roca” now and then. It's best to keep them away from that type of snack food!) Please see the DVD for more on “litter box” location too. We recommend covered litter boxes. They give your cat privacy and prevent your cat from inadvertently kicking litter outside of the box.

There are many types of litter. We like the premium kinds sold at Centinela Feed & Supply. They are very helpful there and can tell you what is best. Cats are very fastidious creatures. Think of them as little neat-freaks. It is best to clean/“scoop” your cat's litter box once or twice a day as well as washing in the bathtub every 5-7 days with hot water and a non-toxic cleanser like SimpleGreen to help reduce odor & bacteria..

### **Scratching Post or Scratching Incline Box.**

Man, do cats dig these! Put a little “cat nip” on them and watch the scratching begin. We think these are a must as it will fulfill the cats need to scratch and prevent them from doing it to your favorite La-Z-Boy recliner.

### **Food**

It is best to feed your cat twice a day at set times as part of their routine. We like brands like Nutro and Natural Balance or other premium brands that you can buy at Centinela Feed & Supply. (We like Centinela Feed & Supply as they don't sell any animals at their locations and they are very rescue-friendly!) When switching to a new food, be sure to transition gradually by adding the new food with the old food to eliminate upset stomachs.

### **Toys**

Catnip mice, anything you can wave around that is attached to a long stick (like a feather or small stuffed toy) are all great. Cats love little balls they can bat around and chase. Believe it or not, we've known some cats to even play “fetch” with these little balls, but on their own terms, of course!

### **Brush**

Everyone likes to have their hair look good, even cats.

### **Veterinarian**

This one is a must. Hopefully you have a good vet that you love. If you don't, ask us. We know lots of vets in the Los Angeles area.