



# SE Region February 2012 Newsletter



Just to make sure everyone is keeping their New Year's Resolutions I am re-posting them..!!.. So if you happen to see Robby smoking, remind him what he said in his resolution..!!..

## New Year's Resolutions 2012

I can't take credit for thinking of this, but I read it and plan to make it my New Years Resolution!

"Do something you love to do, and that you do best, every single day."

Melody Kyle

Living Room Leopards

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To quit Smoking for good!

Robby Whyte

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Don't make any as I will not keep them. LOL

Bonnie Charvat

AutumnSun Cattery

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To be more active and get rid of more clutter / be more organized. Everything in its place and a place for everything!

Erin Russell

Russeller Cattery

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Well, mine would be to take my cash rewards from my credit card and put them Into my savings account and not my checking

Judith Milling

RumblePuff Cattery

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I resolve to be the Best RD in the whole world and Mississippi!

Jo Parris

Caligula Cattery

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I hereby resolve not to make any more New Year's Resolutions that I know I cannot keep, such as being a better housekeeper, losing weight, etc. I hereby resolve to live every minute that God gives me to the fullest, being a good steward of all His blessings and with His help, trying not to do harm to anyone or anything.

Judeth (Judy - Boots Mom) Littlefield

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To be sure my Family and Friends know that I care about them since time on Earth can be so short

Laura Heineck

# Meet The Breed



## Singapura



### General Description

Large celadon eyes twinkling with mischief in an angelic face help the Singapura reach out and capture the imagination while stealing the heart. These delightful delicate-looking cats dressed in the colors of the old sepia photographs are into everything looking up at you with big innocent eyes when you find them engaged in some mischief. No matter what, the combination of those eyes and their enchanting personality quickly has you forgetting their antics and reveling in their affection. The Singapura is the smallest breed of cat but is an energy-packed companion that wants to help you with everything you do. In 1991, the government of Singapore recognized the cats as a living national treasure.

### History

The Singapura, whose name is Malaysian for Singapore, originates from Singapore in South East Asia where the ticked coat pattern and dark brown color are a common local combination recognized as the original gene pool for ticked tabbies. Hal and Tommy Meadow (USAF) brought the ticked cats home with them when they returned to the U.S. in the early 1970s. In 1971, Hal, a geophysicist working in South East Asia, sent some cats home to Tommy in the US that she proceeded to breed. In 1974, Hal was transferred to Singapore and they moved there with their cats—a blue Burmese, a spayed sable Burmese and three ticked cats that were the grandchildren of the original cats Hal had sent to Tommy in 1971. In 1975 they returned to the US with 5 brown ticked cats: Pusse, Ticle, Tes, and kittens from Pusse and Ticle named George and Gladys. In 1980, Barbara Gilbertson imported another brown ticked cat, named Chiko, from the SPCA in Singapore. In 1987, an early Singapura breeder named Gerry Mayes went to Singapore to find more foundation cats and brought some back to the US that he registered with TICA. Today, the breed is still rare but has a dedicated following among breeders and pet-owners. TICA accepted the Singapura for championship competition in 1979.

### Personality

The impish Singapura is a curious, extroverted little cat that just has to help you with everything you do. They're intelligent, interactive personalities are one of their most endearing attributes. These inquisitive minxes are into everything and are definitely not a four-paws-on-the-floor cat wanting to be high on your shoulder or the top of the kitchen cabinets so they can have a bird's eye view of everything that is going on. They are affectionate cats that love to be with people whether it is curled in a lap, riding a shoulder or snuggled up in the bed at night. Lively and active, the Singapura is a gentle playful cat with a soft, gentle voice that also gets on well with other cats.

### Traits

Singapuras come in one color only—but what an ethereal color! Rich warm sable brown ticking against an old ivory background, often with yellow tones, fading on the undersides to unbleached muslin—just like the tones in old-fashioned sepia photographs. And brilliant, rich deep eye colors in shades ranging from celadon green through hazel or gold to copper offset by dark mascara markings and facial lines. A tabby M appears on the forehead and there are bars on the inside of the front legs and on the knees of the back legs, underscoring the delicate coloring.

They are the smallest breed of cat and do not develop their full size until they are almost 2 years old. Vets who are unfamiliar with the breed may be concerned that there is something amiss given a kitten's small size—but there is nothing wrong. Even when fully mature, Singapuras are small cats with little size difference between the males and the females—males weigh 6 to 8 pounds while females weigh 5 to 6 pounds.

They have rounded heads whose most noticeable features are the large, brilliantly colored eyes and the dominating large ears set just off the parallel giving the cats a very alert expression. Their bodies are compact but powerful making them into little dynamos as they race to the next adventure on their strong medium-boned long legs.

*(Taken from the TICA breed pages.)* Laurie Patton

# Recipe for the Valentine's Day

## Catnip Heart Cookies

Adapted from Free Pet Projects

Most cats go cuckoo for catnip in any form, but put the magic herb in a heart-shaped cookie and watch the fun begin!

### Ingredients

1 cup of all-purpose flour  
1/4 cup of whole wheat flour  
2 tablespoons of wheat germ  
2-4 tablespoons of catnip  
1/3 cup of milk  
2 tablespoons of vegetable oil  
1 tablespoon of molasses  
1 egg

### Directions

Begin by preheating the oven to 350 degrees.

Combine the dry ingredients in a bowl (flour, wheat germ and catnip).

Combine the wet ingredients in a bowl (egg, milk, vegetable oil and molasses).

Mix the wet and dry ingredients together and work it into a dough

Lightly flour the counter or other work surface

Remove a portion of dough and use a rolling pin to uniformly flatten the dough to a thickness between 1/8 of an inch and 1/4 of an inch.

Cut the dough into hearts using a cookie cutter or a knife.

Place the cookies on a lightly greased cookie sheet.

Bake the cookies for 10 to 15 minutes, or until the cookies are crisp and lightly browned.

This recipe will make approximately 50 medium-sized cat treats. Once the treats have cooled, gently remove them and place the cookies into several small freezer bags.

Since these treats are preservative-free, they will not last forever. So to extend the life of these treats, store them inside the freezer in several small freezer bags. As needed, remove a bag from the freezer and leave it out for several hours to thaw. Once the treats are thawed, transfer into a Tupperware container for easy access and store the treats inside the refrigerator for up to two weeks.



# Southeast Fundraiser

All proceeds go to the regional fund

## “We Are Family”

February 18 & 19, 2012  
Raleigh, NC

[http://www.seregiontica.org/Shows/SER\\_Fundraiser/serflyer.htm](http://www.seregiontica.org/Shows/SER_Fundraiser/serflyer.htm)

Ring Sponsors are available.

**Parade of Breeds** – We will have a special area with as many breeds present as possible for the public to see. Columbia has wonderful cat lovers and they flock to the show. Please contact Judith Johnson - [johnsondj@comcast.net](mailto:johnsondj@comcast.net)

**Basket Raffle** – As we had at the regional there will baskets, baskets, and more baskets..!!.. If you would like to bring a basket or have one made for you... Please contact Judith Milling - [shutterbug1948@gmail.com](mailto:shutterbug1948@gmail.com)

**Gas Card Raffle** – Enter both the Fund Raiser show and Florida Sun Cats show and your name will automatically be placed in a raffle for a free gas card..!!..

**Sponsors** – No donation is too small or too large for this fund raising event... Signage will be in the rings as well as in the catalog and announced the weekend of the show... Don't be left out... Please contact Laurie Patton - [PiratesLairMC@aol.com](mailto:PiratesLairMC@aol.com)

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Have You Seen..??..



The pictures from Meet The Breeds - <http://www.tica.org/public/mtb.php>

There are even videos to watch..!!..

Meet The Breeds in 2012 will be October 20 & 21 in New York City

## Quote of The Month

“Friendship is one mind in two bodies. “  
Mencius





Anyone wanting to submit articles, recipes, trivia or anything you think others would like to read can send me the info at [PiratesLairMC@aol.com](mailto:PiratesLairMC@aol.com)

**I am in need of some Meet Your Neighbors...**

Thanks to all who contributed this month..!!..  
Laurie

Don't forget that the SE Region is on Facebook  
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Until next month!

