Look at That Cat!

QUICK GUIDE TO IDENTIFYING CATS

COAT LENGTH ·



Longhair Long, fluffy fur



Medium Hair Longer fur on mane, tail, and/or rear



Shorthair
Short fur across entire body



Hairless
Virtually no fur

COAT COLORS



Black



Gray



Brown



COAT PATTERNS

Tabby



Classic
Wide stripes in
a circular pattern



Mackerel
Thin stripes
down the sides



Spotted
Round spots
instead of stripes



flecked hair



White



Buff



Orange



Bicolor



Shaded



Pointed



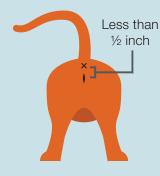
Calico



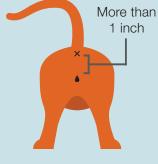
Tortoiseshell

Tortoiseshell and calico, while technically coat patterns, are only seen in these specific colors. Calico is distinct patches of solid orange, black, and white. Tortoiseshell is a blend of orange and black. Both calicos and tortoisehells are almost always female.

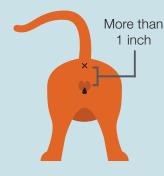
DETERMINING SEX-



Female



Neutered Male



Intact Male



There are countless combinations of coat colors and patterns! For a more detailed guide on how to identify cats, visit **alleycat.org/IDGuide**.