

# What's My Blood Type?



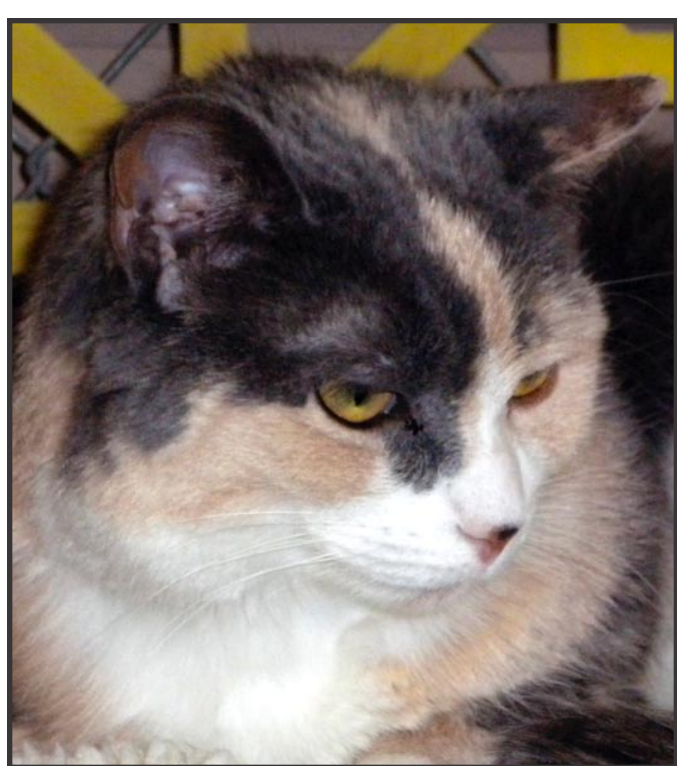
Broomhilda



Abby



Trish



Maliboo



Palla

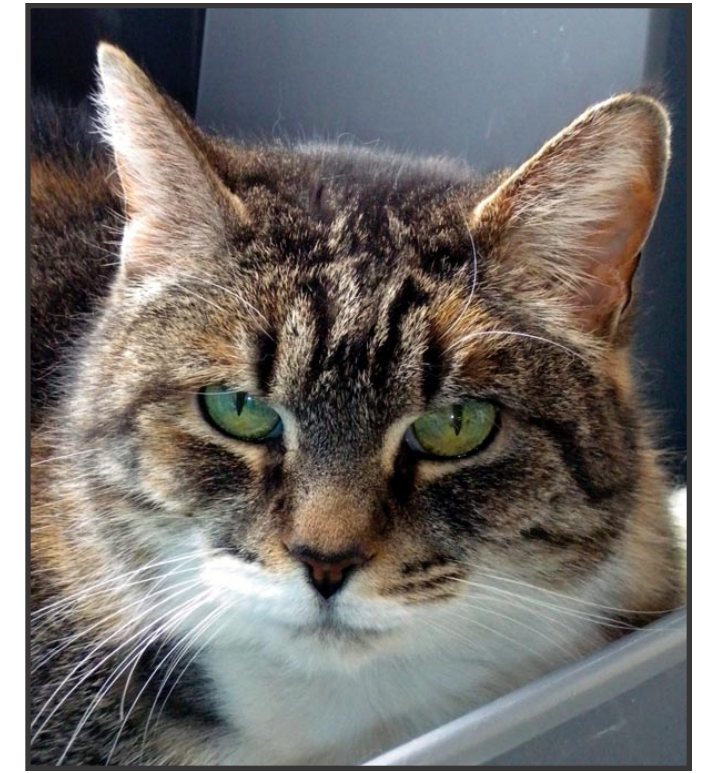
You can't judge a book by its cover, nor can you tell a cat's blood type simply by looking at it. Take a look at these cats, and see if you can guess which blood type each of these cats are. All three feline blood groups are represented. After you've made your guesses, please see the bottom of the poster for the correct answers.

The domestic feline has one of three blood types: A, B and AB. Type A is the most prevalent, comprising nearly 95% of the total United States feline population. Type B is less common, although particular breeds and geographic locations in the United States, like the west coast, provide a higher incidence rate. The rarest feline blood type is AB, occurring at a rate of one percent or less in all cats in the country.

Also, a feline's genetic history can play a large part in what blood type they are. For instance, Exotic Shorthairs have more than a forty percent chance to have Type B blood, whereas the Domestic Shorthair has a ten percent chance or less to be Type B. Persians and the Exotic Shorthair, although known for a higher incidence of Type B blood, still have a significant chance to be Type A. In the case of the British Shorthair, with the same percentage of Type B blood as an Exotic Shorthair, there is even a slim chance of having a cat with Type AB.

The average owner doesn't care too much about the pedigree of a cat, just how lovable their fuzzy family member is. With random breeding, you may never truly know which blood type the cat is. Remember, there is no universal red cell donor in cats, so blood typing prior to a transfusion is essential to prevent a life-threatening situation!

Knowing your feline patient's blood type ahead of time could mean the difference in saving a beloved pet, or delivering devastating news to a heartbroken owner.



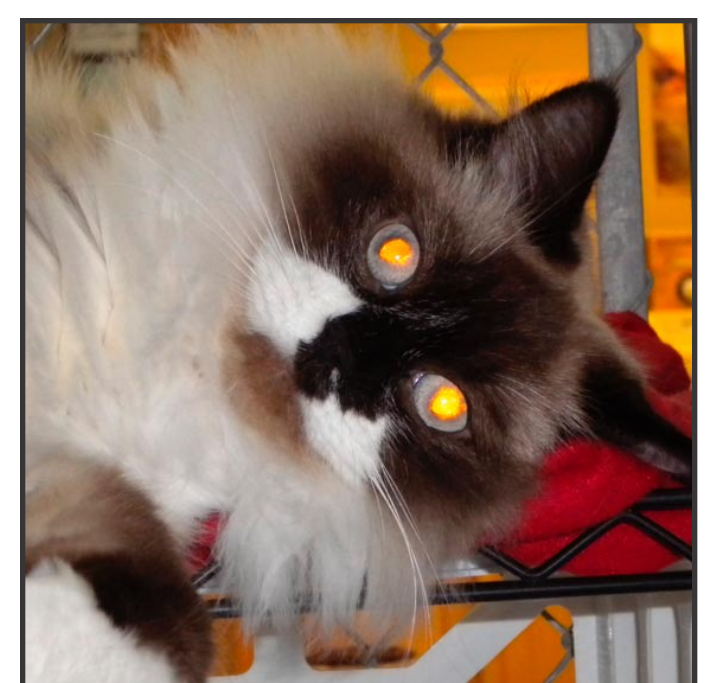
Queenie



Sherlock



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Meisha



Watson

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ABRI's feline donors are rescues. Many come from animal shelters, taken away from an almost certain death sentence, and given a chance to help other cats. Many of our canine donors are also rescued from animal shelters. After a year of service, donors are available for adoption to a forever home. Retired donors are available for adoption in both of ABRI's locations, California and Michigan.

With two locations, we service the entire United States and can easily provide international shipping. **No matter what animal blood product or component you need, with ABRI in your corner, now you're prepared!**



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