

Quirky, Lovable Cats: The Pet Of Choice For Busy American Families

(NAPSA)—Many of today's on-the-go-families consider cats to be the “purr-fect” pet.

Although fussy felines have plenty of spirit and personality, they desire far less time and attention than most canine pets.

Ask any cat owner what their cat is like and you'll get a lot more information than what breed or color their coat is.

International artist, author and pet owner Rosina Wachtmeister has witnessed this firsthand. She spends her days observing and admiring the enchanting and playful cats that live in her Italian village and is famous for vividly capturing their common kitty traits in her work.

Wachtmeister recently teamed up with Goebel to produce a line of porcelain, home décor pieces for art lovers and cat lovers alike.

Can you classify your cat among the kitty characteristics of Wachtmeister's favorite feline poses?



Wachtmeister's musical “Cat on Armchair” is the ultimate *Lazy Lounger*.



“Cat on Chair” feeds his *Plentiful Palate* by taste-testing some of your dinner.

A. She's there in the morning and there's a pretty good chance she'll be in that very spot when you get home. You've tried absolutely everything to get her fur out of the cushions—to no avail—and your family and friends have reluctantly begun to refer to the perch as her chair. If your furry companion would win a catnapping marathon, tails down, you have a *Lazy Lounger* on your hands.

B. This little gourmet enthusiast demands the best seat in the house. He requires an appetizer of only the most delectable kitty chow at 5:37 p.m. sharp and then insists on taste-testing some of your family's dinner. If you pop up for just a second to get the peppermill and return to find he has stolen your chair, it's deliciously obvious that your playful pet has a *Plentiful Palate*.

C. This inquisitive cat has to

get her nose into everything. Reading Sunday's paper is impossible when she insists on sitting right in the middle of the page or typing at the computer can be a real chore when she takes a quick detour across your keyboard. Every noise or movement requires a full investigation. So, if your cat runs to watch the water swoosh every time the toilet is flushed, you can bet that your cat is *Conclusively Curious*.

So, whether you see a bit of *The Lazy Lounger*, *The Plentiful Palate* or *The Conclusively Curious*—maybe a little of all three—in your fuzzy feline, pet ownership is about unconditional love and cherishing your pet's quirkiness, as well as their sense of independence.

For information on Rosina Wachtmeister and her playful feline music boxes, please contact Goebel of North America, P.O. Box 10; Pennington, New Jersey 08534-0010 or call 1-800-366-4632.



The scholarly “Cat on Books” nurtures his *Conclusively Curious* personality.