Two Cats Are Better Than One

By having two or more cats you will be able to enjoy the true social nature of cats and their relationship with each other.

Cats who have a playmate tend to be more socially well adjusted and avoid behaviour problems like shyness, biting, hissing, hiding from people they do not know, even litter box issues (if the cat is too lonely). They are less likely to ruin the furniture out of boredom.

Your cat will remain more playful and youthful into his/her later years with a companion. Cats are less likely to gain weight due to lack of movement and to suffer related illnesses.

Cats need stimulation during the day, like humans. Studies have shown that some animals left alone most of the day in the house have brains that weigh up to 25% less than those who live in the street.

In Switzerland an anti-cruelty law was passed that requires people who are buying/adopting a cat to acquire at least two since it is the nature of the animal to have company of his/her own kind.

If you must work long hours or travel for a couple of days, two or more cats keep each other company and are more tranquil during your absence.

It is more likely that people will return an adopted cat due to behaviour problems when only one, rather than two, has been adopted.

The workload to care for two cats is relatively the same as for one.

You do not need more space for a second cat.

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