



Pet Care NOTES



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AN AGING CAT IS NOT NECESSARILY AN ILL CAT

When your cat starts to get old, it is easy to chalk up behavioral changes to aging. However, many changes could be the result of illness. It is important to recognize any behavioral changes in your cat. An aggressive cat can be in pain for one of many reasons, from tooth decay to arthritis. If your cat is suddenly filling the litter box more quickly than he or she usually does, it may be the result of conditions such as diabetes, hyperthyroidism, or even kidney failure. If you notice your older cat using a place other than the litter box, he or she may have arthritis or another painful condition that makes getting to the litter box difficult.

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FACT: Use the action of petting your cat to look for various health conditions such as abnormal lumps and bumps

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