

# The Truth about Siamese

The Siamese breed of cat originated from Siam (now Thailand), the ***Cat Country of the World***. The Thai people are still crazy about them and, over the years, are responsible for the rest of the world's love of Siamese. *Moon Diamond* is the original Siamese. Siamese kittens are born mostly white, but as they grow older, they develop the Siamese characteristics: bright blue almond-shaped eyes; triangular head; large ears; long, slender and muscular body; and color points on the ears, facial mask, paws and tail.



Not everyone loves Siamese. Here are the reasons why:

## Myths

Ears – Always underfoot in the kitchen when they hear meals being prepared.

Eyes – Mischievous and Devilish looks; Attitude!



Siamese Kittens postcard (CK-231 Curteichcolor Art-Creation from Color Transparencies)

Teeth/Mouth – Bite, Chew on things. Always meowing!

Paws/Claws – Scratch furniture, shred curtains

## Truths



Ears: To listen for family members and hear babies crying. Siamese are affectionate, intelligent and social creatures. They will cuddle with babies to keep them safe.

Eyes: Ever watchful over the family. A protector.

Teeth/Mouth: The hunter to bring you breakfast. It may be a mouse or a bird, but they love to share. Also to bring new-born kittens to sleep with you in bed. Very vocal and love to talk to their humans. Their purrs are calming to stressed adults and fidgety babies.

Paws/Claws: Keeps that pesky dog away from knocking down small children, follow children and adults around – *Do you need my help?* Siamese love human interaction and companionship, so clear off the lap!

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