



Long-Haired Cat Care



Long-haired cats need regular grooming to prevent painful mats, reduce shedding, and reduce hairballs.

Why Daily Grooming Helps

- ♥ Removes dirt and loose hair
- 💧 Distributes natural skin oils
- 🚫 Prevents tangles and mats
- 🐾 Reduces hairballs
- 🌿 Minimizes shedding in the home

Short-haired cats need regular grooming to prevent painful mats, reduce shedding, and reduce hairballs.



Start Slowly

Choose a calm, familiar location. Keep grooming tools nearby and pair sessions with treats or gentle praise.



Be Gentle & Methodical

- Use a soft brush and work from head to tail in the direction of fur growth.



When Matting Becomes a Medical Issue

- 🐾 Mats can trap moisture, debris, and bacteria for fur growth:
 - 🐾 Behind the ears
 - 🐾 Under the chin
 - 🐾 Inside the front legs
 - 🐾 Along the belly

When matting becomes a medical issue, seek professional grooming care.

Watch for Stress signals, for safer and less stressful, than removing established mats.



- Severe matting should be addressed by a professional groomer or veterinarian.

Watch for Stress Signals:

- ♥ Tense body, sharp tail flicks.
- ♥ Growling or swatting
- ♥ Backing away from grooming



Key Takeaway: Short, consistent, and positive grooming sessions prevent bigger problems later. Go slowly, respect your cat's limits, and build comfort over time.