

SAVANNAH-RAMA

THE SAVANNAH CAT

LOOKS STRAIGHT OUT OF AFRICA, ACTS LIKE MAN'S BEST FRIEND

The Savannah cat is one of the latest breeds to be recognized by The International Cat Association (TICA). This tall, elegant spotted cat with large ears was developed by initially crossing the African Serval with domestic cats.

Tall, long and lean with bold black spots and large ears set on top of its head, the Savannah has the appeal of the wild cat with the personality of a domestic cat.

High energy and playfulness added to a sociable nature makes the Savannah almost dog-like as a pet. Not normally to be found lounging in your lap, they will follow you around the house, come when called and fetch toys for hours. They are delighted to go for walks on a leash and often recall their Serval heritage by leaping joyfully into water.

WHAT IS A SAVANNAH?

Savannahs are a new cat breed formed initially by crossing the African Serval with a spotted domestic cat, using breeds such as the Egyptian mau, oriental shorthair, oicat and domestic shorthair.

Further interbreeding of Savannahs to domestic cats produces a breed with the exotic spotted appearance and unique personality derived from the Serval, but retains all relevant domestic cat personality traits.



Kiremo Kimba, high %BF4 owns Dawn E. Hill, loves to play in water.



Kiremo Tisha Matata, high % C F5, owns Brigitte Cowell.

Savannahs eat domestic cat food, faithfully use litter-boxes and basically will live in a house exactly as any other domestic cat would. Savannahs were developed here in the U.S. and are now found through the world.

The Savannah Breed Standard calls for a graceful cat that is a replica of the tall, lean and muscular Serval cat found on the African plains or savannas, for which the breed is named.

For more information about Savannahs, go to www.Savannah-Rama.com

LIVING WITH A SAVANNAH:

- *No shelf is too high for these cats!*
- *Savannahs like to fetch*
- *Savannahs often enjoy playing in water*
- *Savannahs go for walks on a leash*
- *They come when called*



Savannahs have long legs, long neck and a long lean body. The head is proportionally small which adds to the long, elegant appearance.

The face is angular not rounded and the ears are large and upright. The eyes are distinctive, with a flattened upper eyelid that gives a hooded appearance. The nose is strong and puffy in appearance.

The pattern of the Savannah's coat is bold and striking. The shorthaired coat has some substance, but requires little grooming.

“AFFECTIONATE AND OUTGOING, THE IDEAL SAVANNAH IS A CONFIDENT, ALERT, CURIOUS AND FRIENDLY CAT.”

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Kiwanga Yejide of Jasirisana, BF4, owns Patti Struck, and enjoys showing off her long legs and lovely spots at cat shows.

WHAT IS THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE BENGAL AND THE SAVANNAH CAT?

The main difference stems from the different exotic cats that were used to produce the two breeds. The Bengal descends from the Asian Leopard Cat (ALC), while the Savannah has the African Serval as its ancestor. The ALC gave the Bengals a strong muscular body, small rounded ears, large rounded eyes and more rounded contours to the head. The Savannah inherits from the Serval an extremely leggy, lean body and long neck along with distinct large upright ears, smaller hooded eyes and a more angular face. The Bengal can have two-toned rosetted spots, while the Savannah should have bold solid spotting.



Kiwanga Layla, F2, owns Margitta Graeve, and enjoys walking on a leash.

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