

What an Indoor Cat Misses:

Being struck by a car.

Risking death, disease, and injury.

Human acts of cruelty, abuse, and death from those who don't like cats.

Constant fleas and earmites.

Causing an argument between you and the neighbors when your cat goes into their yard and they call to complain.

How to Keep Cats Happy Indoors.

Consider getting your cat a tall scratching post-they love them!

Create a perch near a window to provide a chance to still see outdoors.

Provide 10-20 minutes a day of interactive play (using a cat dancer toy or a shoestring to chase works great!).

Give them toys (many love balls, shoestrings, aluminum foil balls-very low-tech!).

Spend quality time with your cat-many love to snuggle and purr!

Cats can be perfectly content indoors.

Make sure your cat has a clean litter box.

It is a misconception that cats have to go outside and roam.

If your cat enjoys certain things outdoors, you can provide those indoors!

Grow some cat grass for your cat to munch on! • Give your cat some **catnip for a treat** and watch them roll in ecstasy! • Buy a **bird video** and turn on the VCR. Many cats love watching these videos! • Build an enclosed outdoor **cat enclosure** so your cat can still safely enjoy the outdoors! • **Spaying or neutering** your cat reduces their desire to roam, and also reduces annoying behaviors like yowling, spraying, and fighting, and eliminates them going into heat! Best of all, it stops unwanted kittens from being born!

