

## **Fun Ways Cats Get Their Chill On**

Summer's here, and we humans can't wait to throw on our swimsuits and cool off in the nearest body of water with our friends and ice-cold beverage. Cats don't wear little swimsuits, but they look for ways to keep their cool during the summer's sweltering heat. Here are eight ways cats get their chill on:

**Bathtub lounge -** When temperatures rise, cats look for cool places to lounge inside our homes. They may park themselves on a nice tile floor or chillax in a porcelain bathtub or sink. And what better place to host a party for the feline friends? Who needs a groovy, sunken living room, when you can entertain in the cool confines of a tub? B.Y.O Treats!

**Happy hour** – Kitties need extra hydration during the summer months, and they expect us to keep the drinks flowing. It's always happy hour when



they have fresh water readily available. Their drinks may not have the little umbrellas sticking out of them, but the refreshment is real, mon!

Fan-tastic times — Fans of all shapes and sizes are a must for homes without air conditioning, and cats enjoy that fesh airflow as much as their sweaty people do. And if the fan's breeze happens to reach the litter box, a cat will will probably feel like he's on a sandy beach.

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**Private cabanas** – We humans can provide shady escapes from the heat by offering cat condos, cubes, and boxes to block the sun's searing rays from our kitties' furry bodies. It's like relaxing in a mini cabana! Bring on the meow-garitas!

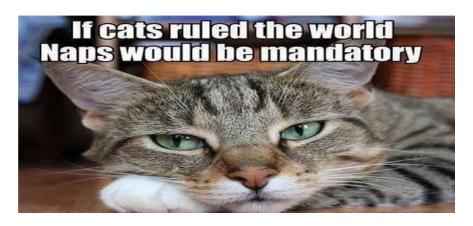
**Ice hockey** — Cats are naturally athletic and love to swat their favorite toys across smooth floor surfaces. Unlike the professional leagues, feline ice hockey's season is smack in the middle of the summer months. The ice feels refreshing to kitty's paws and, as the cubes melt, they become liquid refreshment that's way tastier than any old hockey puck. SCORE!

Throw in the towel — Typically cats aren't fond of water, however, they'll probably feel some relief from the heat when we give them a quick rubdown with a wet towel Sure, they'll probably commence with a fastidious grooming session to get the hair back into place, but that's OK — we humans usually like to restyle our wet hair, too.



**Lighter hairdo** — Some of us like to sport a shorter hairstyle during the warmer months because – let's face it – all that hair can feel too darn uncomfortable! Our cats have all over hairdos, and they also enjoy the comfort of a lighter load on hot days. We humans can help by brushing more often, releasing some of that furry weight. Hey, kitty – cool hairdo!

**Energy conservation** – The summer's heat makes kitties feel extra lethargic, resulting in more naps. More naps, you say? Is that possible? Yes, it is!



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### RESCUE EXPLAINED.....(grab a tissue).....

The neglect changes you. The abuse hardens you. The suffering breaks you.

The ignorance angers you. The indifference disturbs you. The injustice destroys you.

On a daily basis...your faith will be tested. Your heart will be wounded....

Your soul will be altered. On a weekly basis...you'll question yourself.

You'll question your strength. You'll question the world. On a monthly basis...you'll fall down.

You'll get up. You'll go on...On a yearly basis...you'll look back... You'll see faces...

You couldn't save them. You'll learn to mourn. To grieve. To sob.

You'll learn to trust a little less. To do a little more. To fight a little harder. You'll learn to try.

To hope. To pray. You'll learn to fail. To succeed. To accept. You'll learn when to hold on.

When to give up. When to let go.

You'll learn who you are. What you stand for. Why that matters.

Then... at times... you'll forget why you matter.

You'll question what you're doing. You'll wonder if it's worth it.

But...here's the good news... When you forget... When you question... When you wonder...

All you have to do... Is take a look around. And you'll see them. You'll see their faces.

You'll see their smiles. You'll feel their love. In their eyes, you'll see their journeys...

You'll remember their beginnings...You'll know how far they've come...

You'll remember when they didn't know you... When they didn't trust you...

When they'd given up. You'll remember how you healed them...

How you loved them... How they loved you, too.

And as you look back... You'll want to move forward... For them... and because of them.

In your darkest hours, you'll look around...To find the differences made...the hope given...

and the lives saved... Because you existed. In those moments, when you look into their eyes...

Every doubt will be erased. Every question will be answered. Every worry will subside.

Because in that instant...in each of your hearts...You both share the very same thought:

"Every bit of pain was worth it...for this moment here with you."

And honestly...no matter what else happens... Those moments hold all the strength you need...

To keep going.. Rescue is pain. Rescue is joy. Rescue is worth it...because they are worth it.

And that's the honest truth. ~ Ashley Owen Hill

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