

# Can Scratch This!

Truth is, cats scratch. It's a natural behavior, and they're hard-wired to do it. So embrace the scratch! Get your cat the coolest scratching products possible and she'll have no interest in your tepid human sofa.

## → Not just a scratch

PetFusion's Modern Activity Tree & Scratching Post covers all the bases: scratching, playing, perching, and lounging. Built to last with premium furniture-grade materials and sisal carpet post. Just a 30-inch leap to the top platform. Handles three cats at once. Catnip spray included; easy to assemble. **\$99.95. PetFusion; pet-fusion.com**



1 GIVEAWAY



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## → Scratch to win!

What do you call winning? Pillows you can also scratch. That's where the eco-friendly, nontoxic, long-lasting Kitty Speed Bump comes in. The natural curved contours feel so right to cats, plus they stand up to the test of time — and claws. Made in the USA of industrial-strength, 100-percent recyclable corrugated cardboard. Comes in two sizes: 14 inches and 18 inches.

**\$26/\$31 (XL). CatPods; catpods.com**



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CHOOSE WHITE OR ESPRESSO FINISH (SHIP TO U.S. ONLY)

## → With a scratch scratch here

Your cat can now get his scratch on up high with this wall-mounted, modern perch. The Hauspanther Collection's Catchall does all — lets your cat perch, scratch, play, plus gives you a place to put all the cat toys. The thick felt pad on the perch surface prevents slipping. The inclined sisal scratching surface has replaceable pads. And a plush toy attaches to the bottom for more kitty fun. Coordinates with other products in the Hauspanther Collection. **\$49.99. Primetime Petz; primetimepetz.com**

## → Scratch and turn

Turn your cat's world around by letting him both scratch and play. Kitty Connection's Corrugated Scratcher entertains with a pair of jingling balls circling around the outside of the scratcher. The scratcher will please the cat, while the modern look will please the fashionable cat parent.

**\$12.99. InnovationPet; innovationpet.com**

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### Up to scratch

Sometimes kitty has to get vertical when he scratches. That's not a problem with Imperial Cat's Fish on a Line hanging scratcher.

Hang it on a hook, a door-knob, or even lie it down flat. Made from recycled paper in the USA, plus includes a bag of certified organic catnip. Comes in a variety of styles, such as parrots, monkeys, and seasonal fun.

**\$7.95. Imperial Cat, purchase at [catclaws.com](http://catclaws.com)**



### → Start from scratch

Looking for something for kitty to sink his claws into? Try this modular cat scratcher pair you can arrange in a variety of tempting combinations. The stylish Katris Lynks have teak wood covers for the sides and heavy-duty paper with flutes and liners for the main scratching surface, making them durable and shred-resistant. Three percent of proceeds donated to support anti-declawing.

**\$54.95/2 in each package.**

**Katris; [katriscat.com](http://katriscat.com)**

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### HOW AND WHY CATS MARK THEIR TERRITORY — INCLUDING YOU



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Did you know that cats show people affection by head-butting and “marking” them? Other ways they claim territory is through kneading and scratching. Behaviorist Marilyn Krieger explains the various methods cats use to make spaces their own.

### STYLISH WALL-MOUNTED SCRATCHERS SAVE SPACE

Cat style guru Kate Benjamin of Hauspanther shows us several types of scratchers that can save you floor space while giving your cat something to sink his claws into.



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### 7 REASONS CATS BECOME AGGRESSIVE



When a cat acts with aggression, there's usually a good reason — including pain, stress, or trauma. JaneA Kelley outlines the warning signs and what you can do to ease the tension.

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