

JUDGING CORNISH REX

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CORNISH REX BREED

Elegant

Mutated

Feminine

Extreme

Hyperactive

JUDGING CORNISH REX

↗ Cornish Rex is clever and intelligent

↗ Cornish Rex is talkative and chatty

↗ Cornish Rex is hyperactive... sitting in a cage is just terribly boring

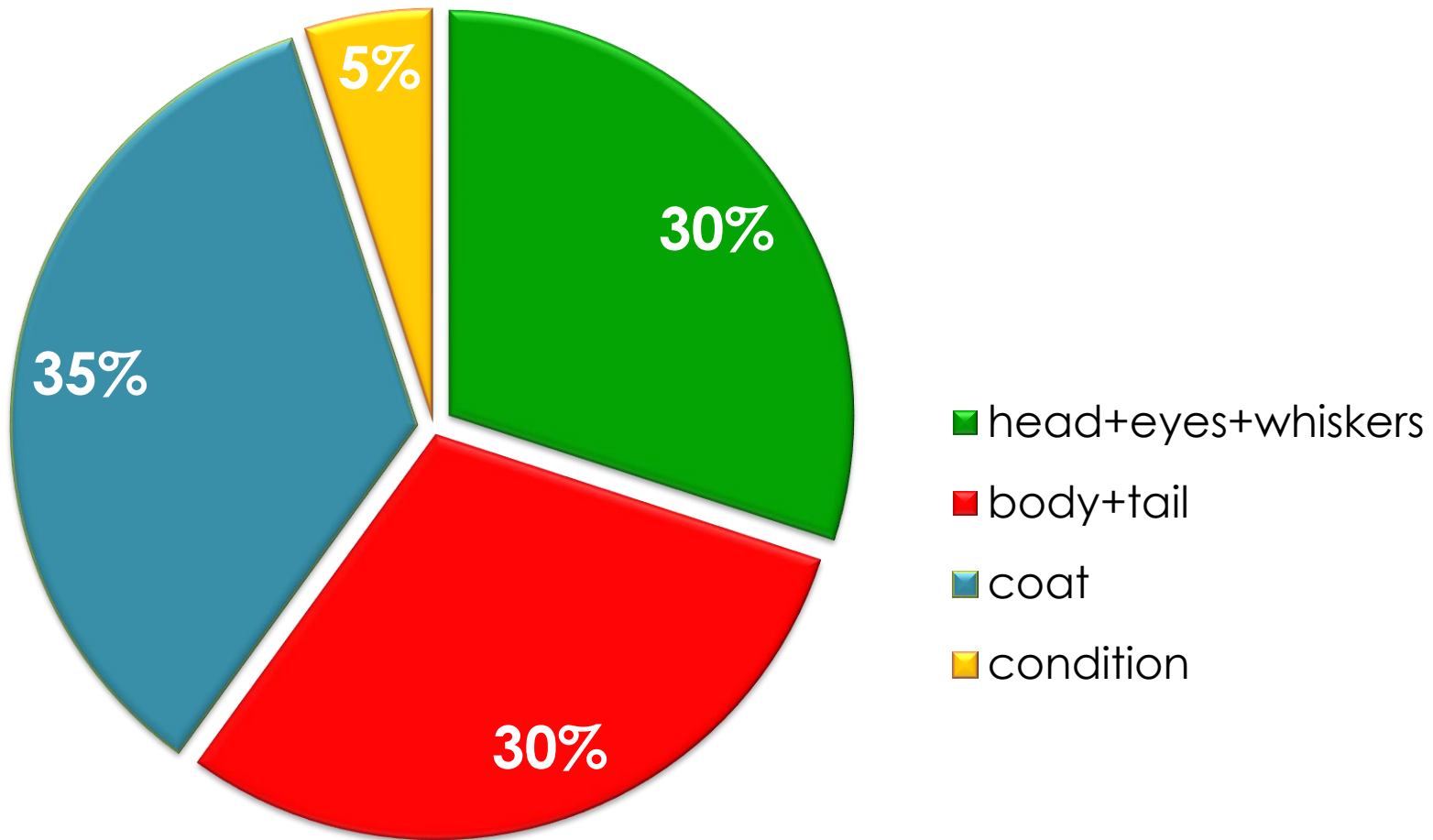
↗ Cornish Rex is very social and curious about everything

↗ Cornish Rex moves ears like radars so playing with a feather will help to see the correct placement

↗ Cornish Rex loves to be cuddled and handled

↗ Cornish Rexes have a very strong personality so even if they look delicate, never ignore warning signs

CRX Scale of Points



There is no single part of the cat that strongly dominates the standard.

General Description



Cornish Rex is distinguished by its **slender and graceful** appearance.

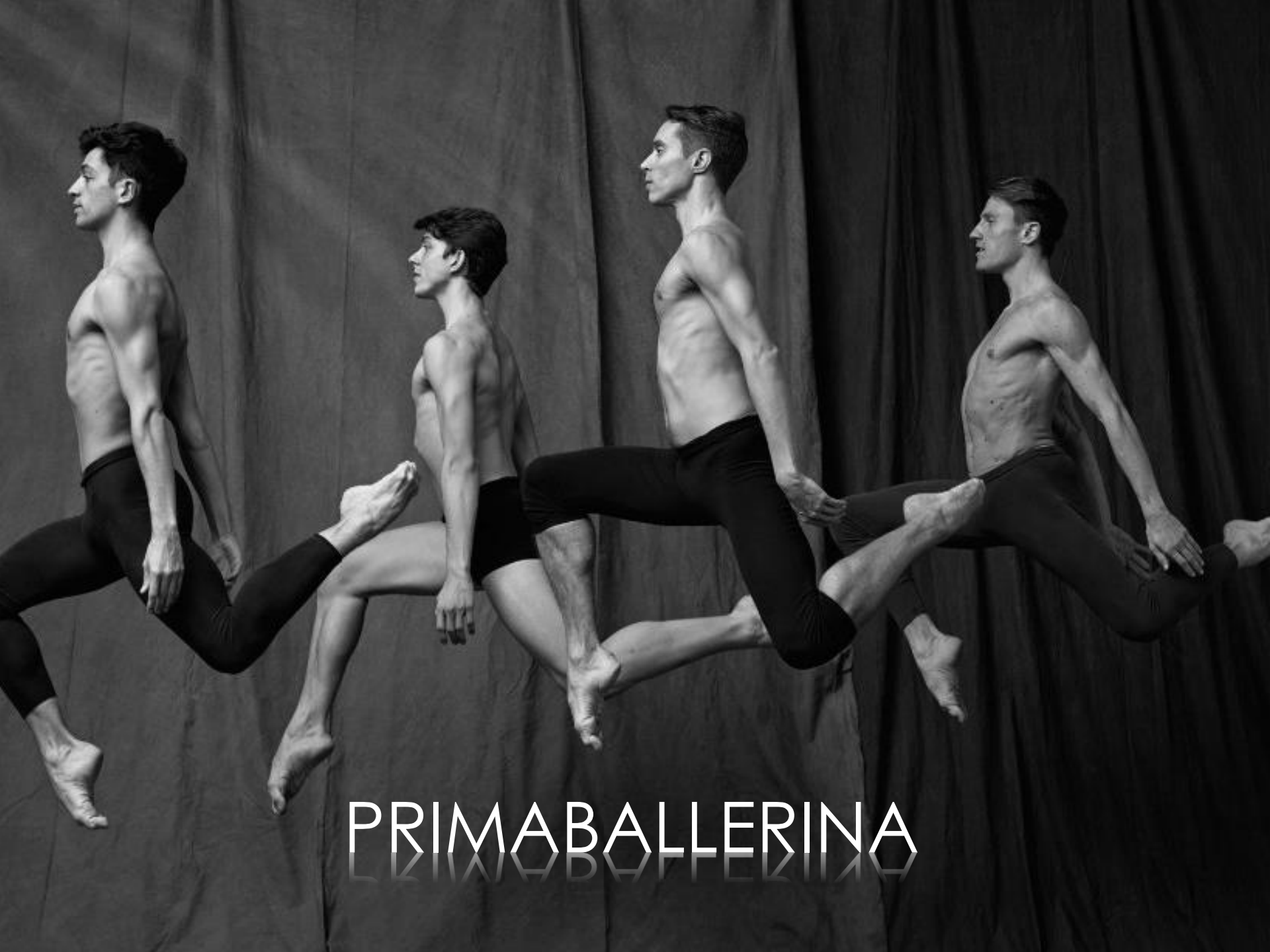
It is surprisingly heavy due to its **strong muscle tone**.

It is covered in characteristic **soft, wavy coat...**

and gives an overall appearance of being **high on legs**



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CORNISH REX HEAD



View from above



egg shaped ?

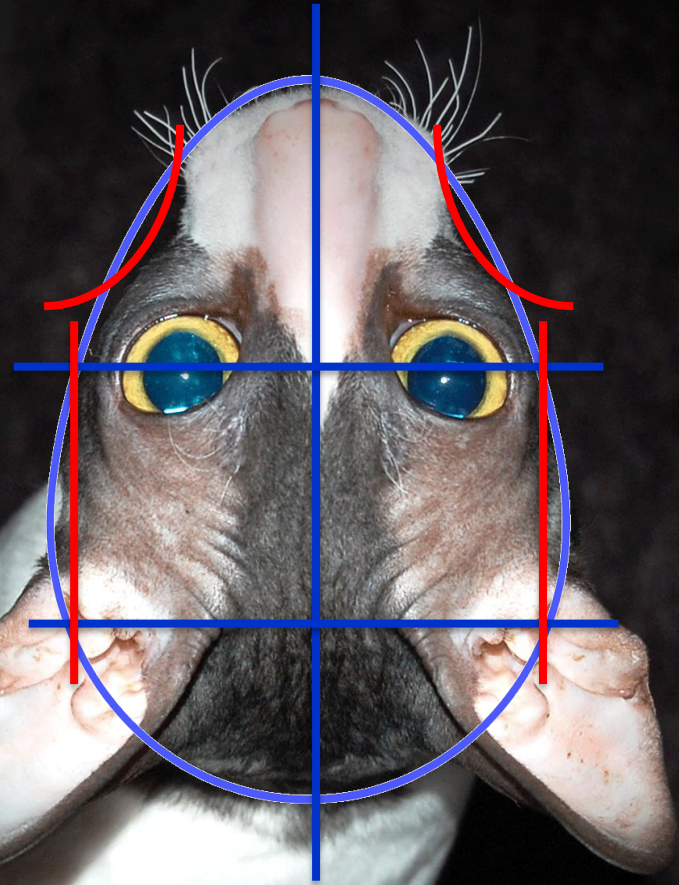
View from above

egg shaped

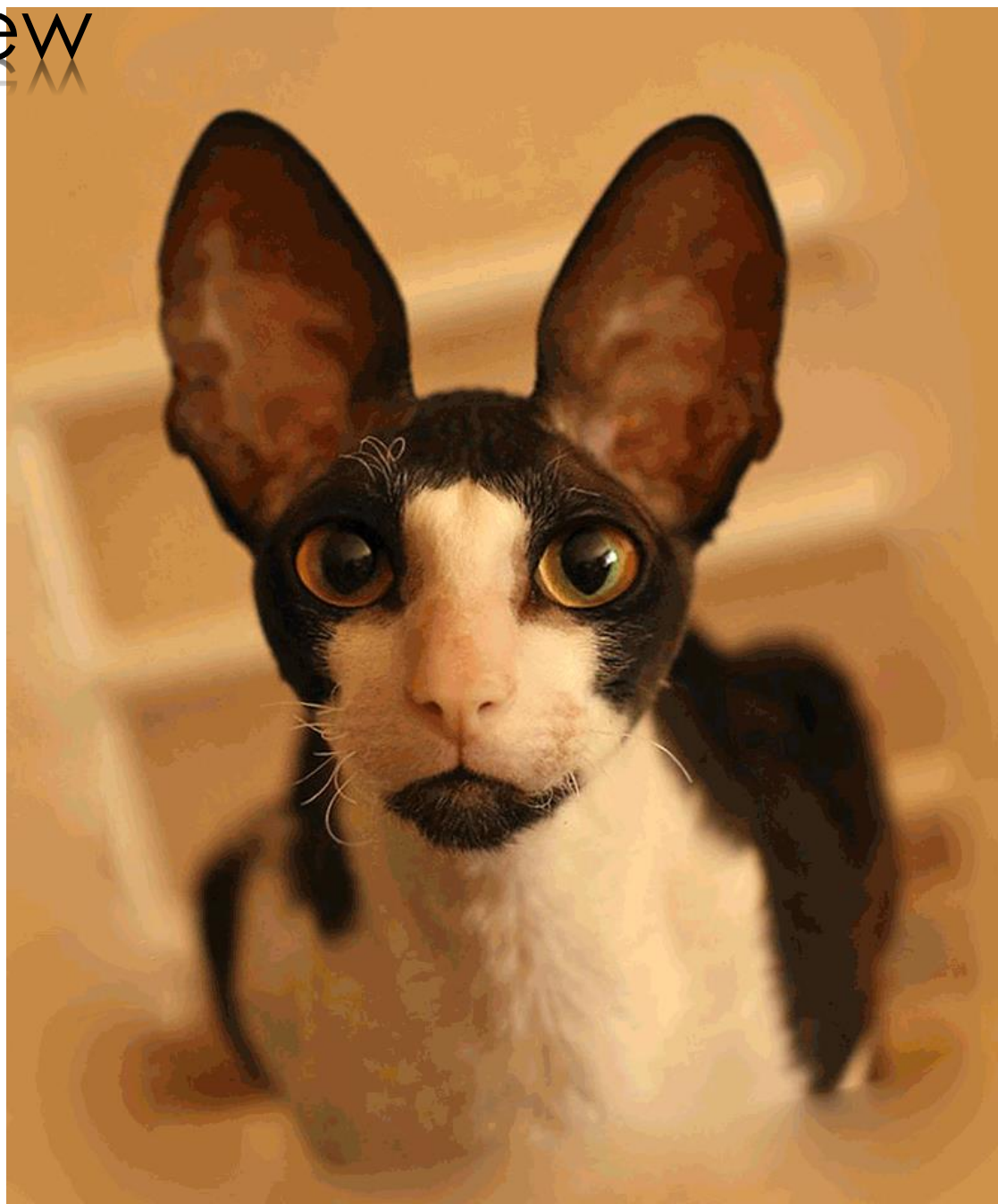
slightly longer than wide

equally narrow from cheekbones
to the end of skull

harmonious muzzle, not too prominent or square
a definite whisker break in adults



Front View



Front View

ears set high

ears broad at base

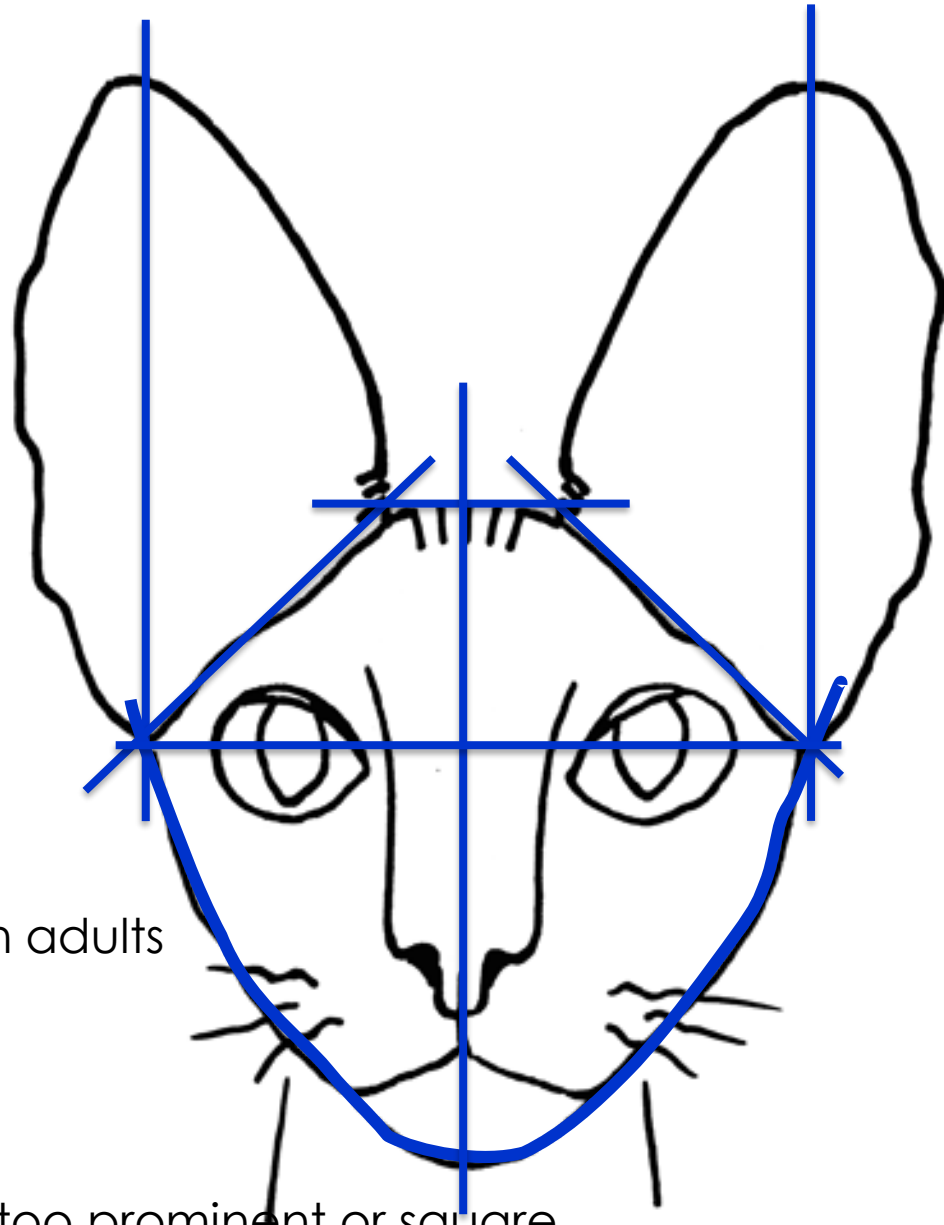
flat skull

slightly longer than wide

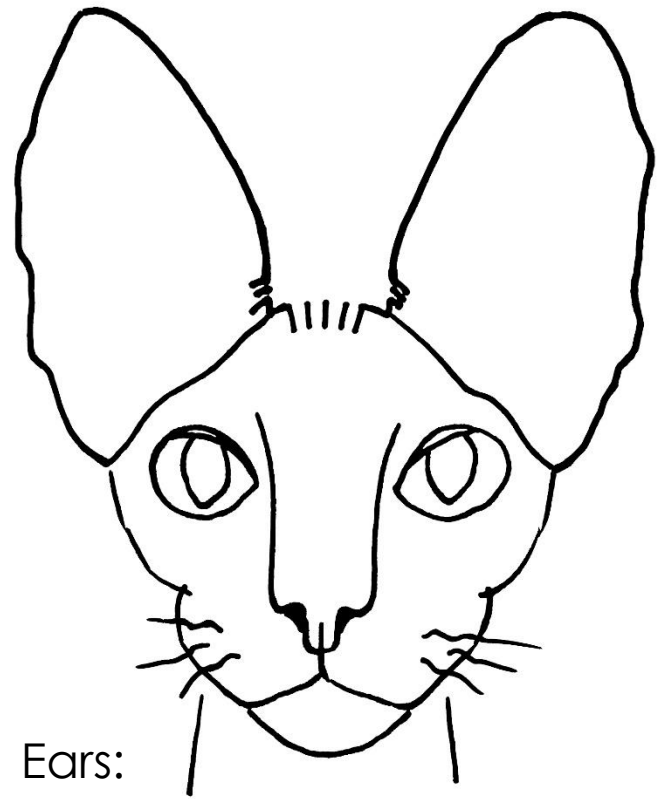
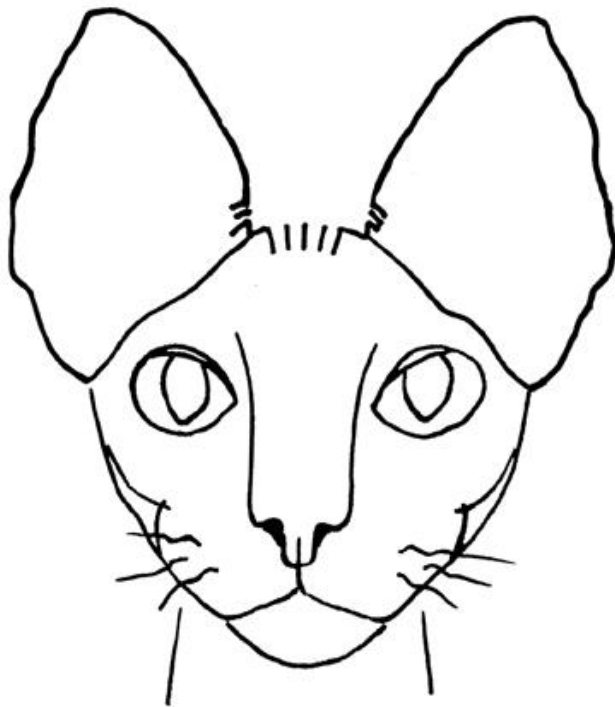
a definite whisker break in adults

partly „egg” shaped

harmonious muzzle, not too prominent or square



Front View



Ears:

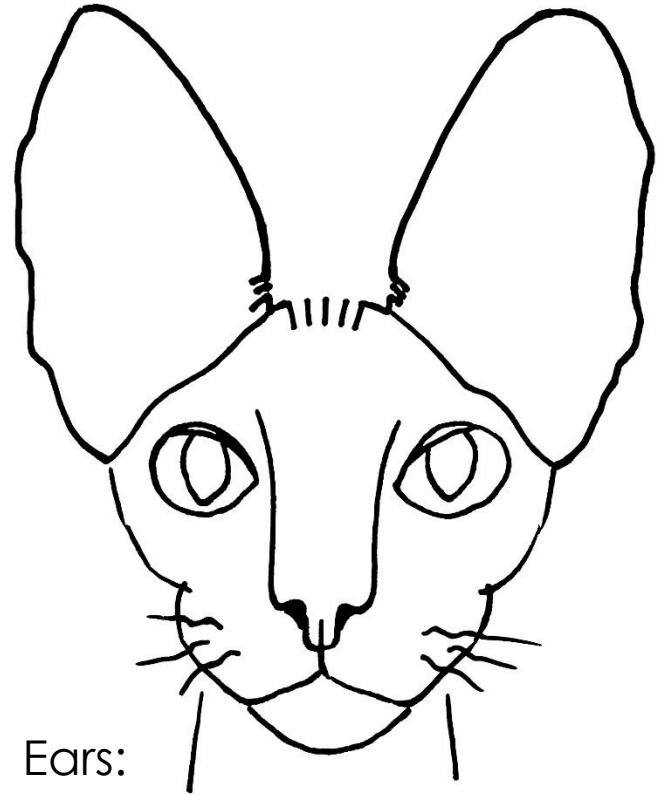
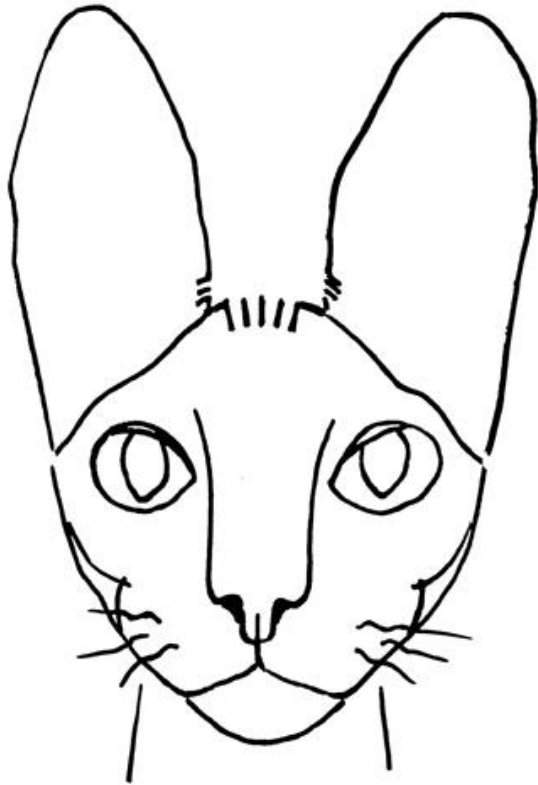
large

wide at the base

tapering to rounded tips



Front View



Ears:

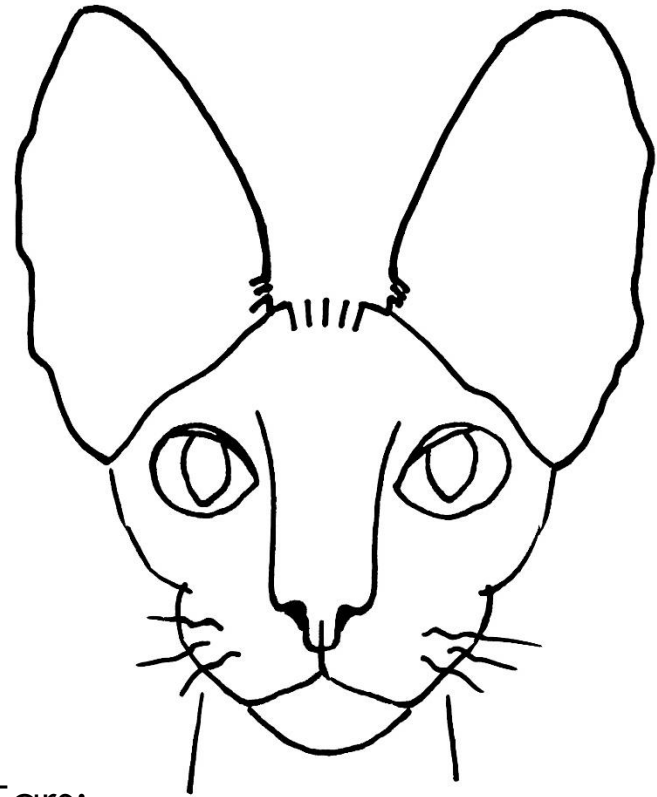
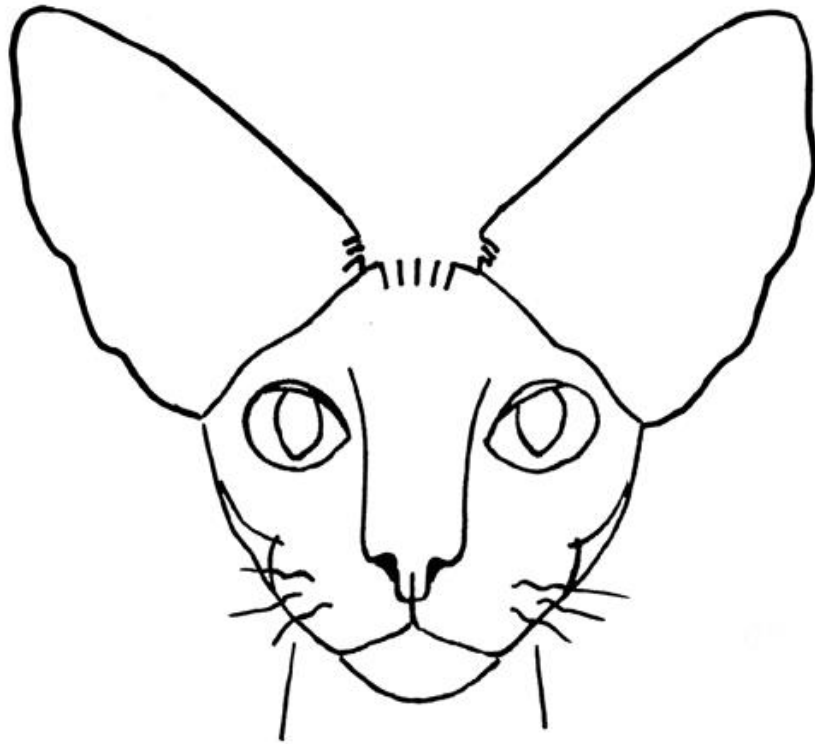
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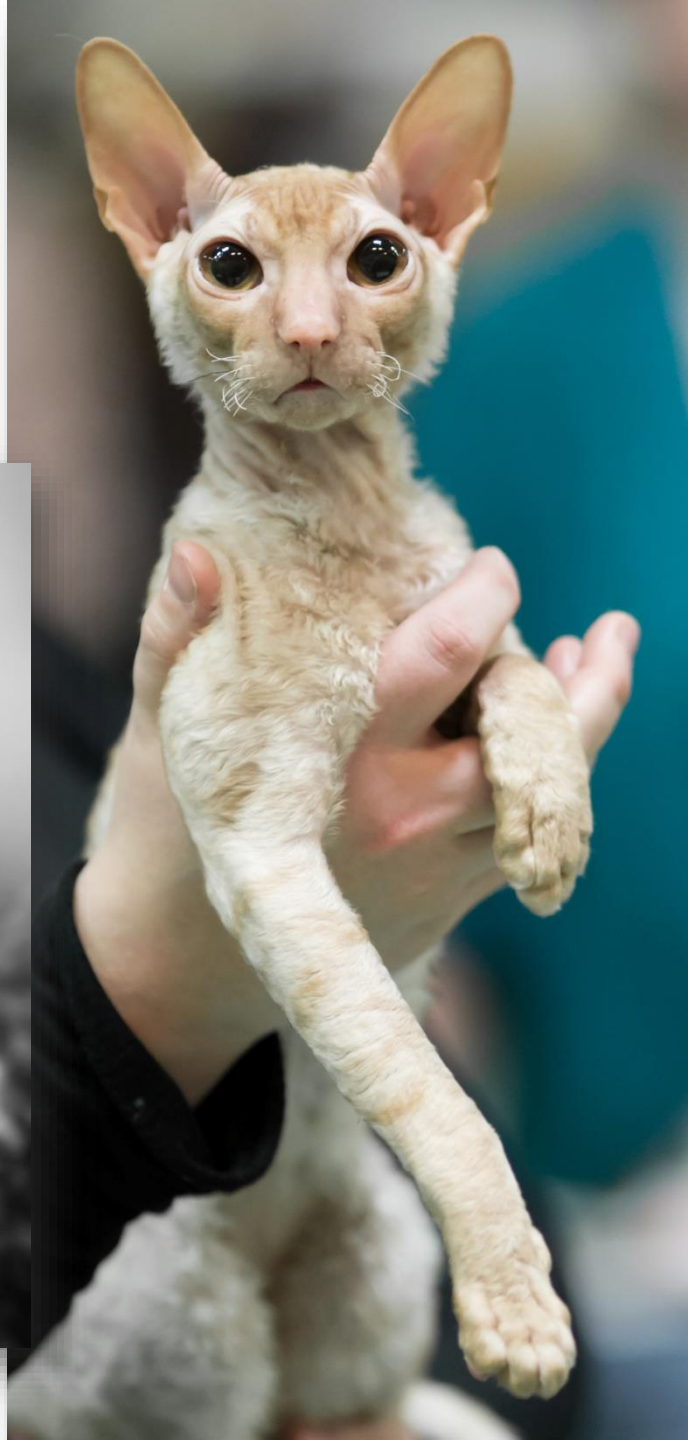
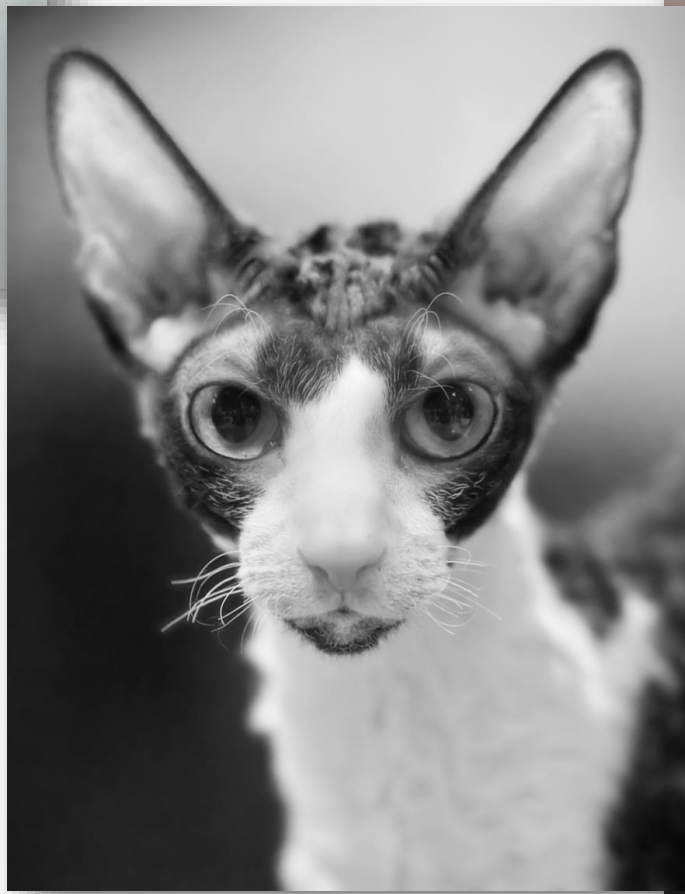
Front View



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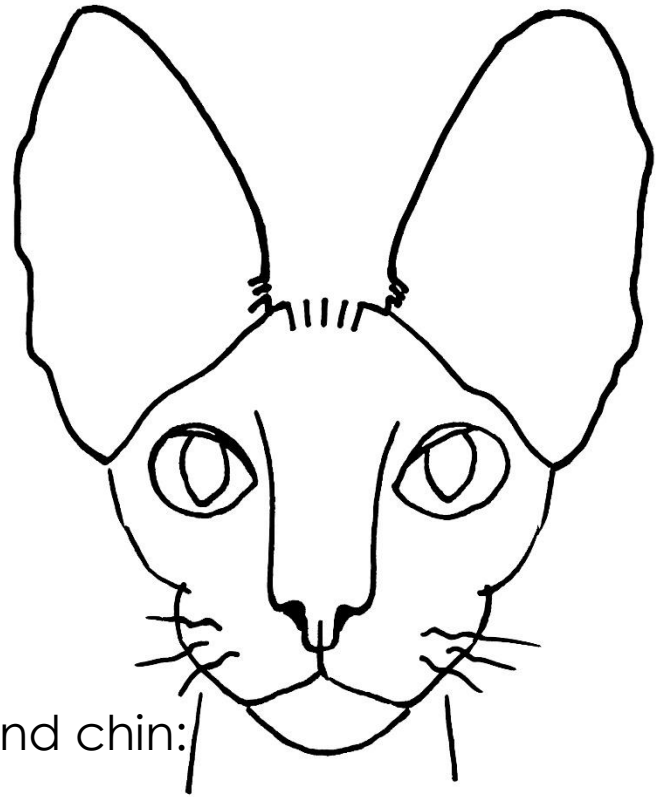
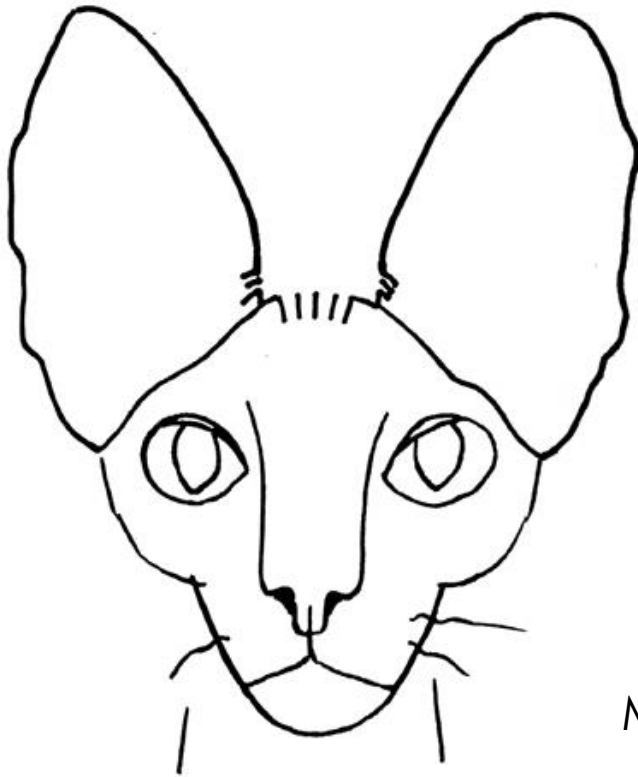
set high on the head

held alert





Front View



Muzzle and chin:

harmonious muzzle

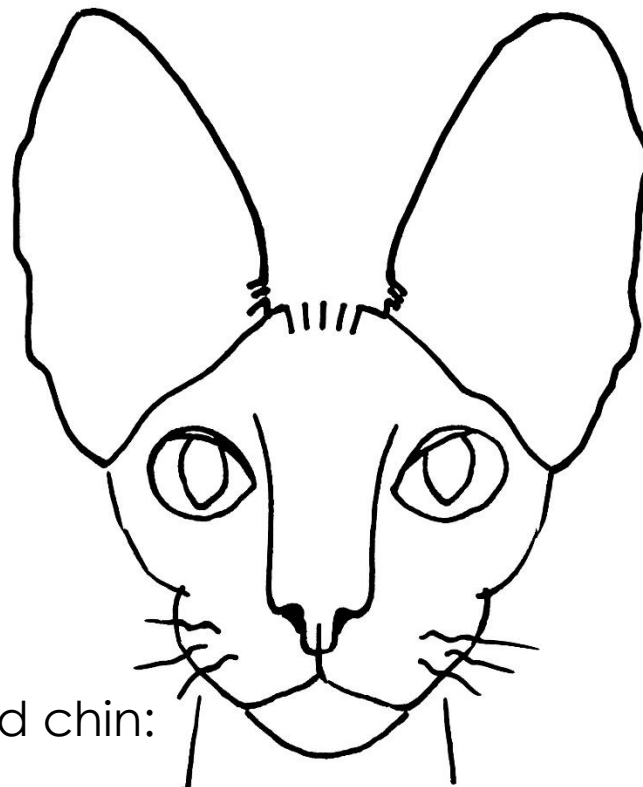
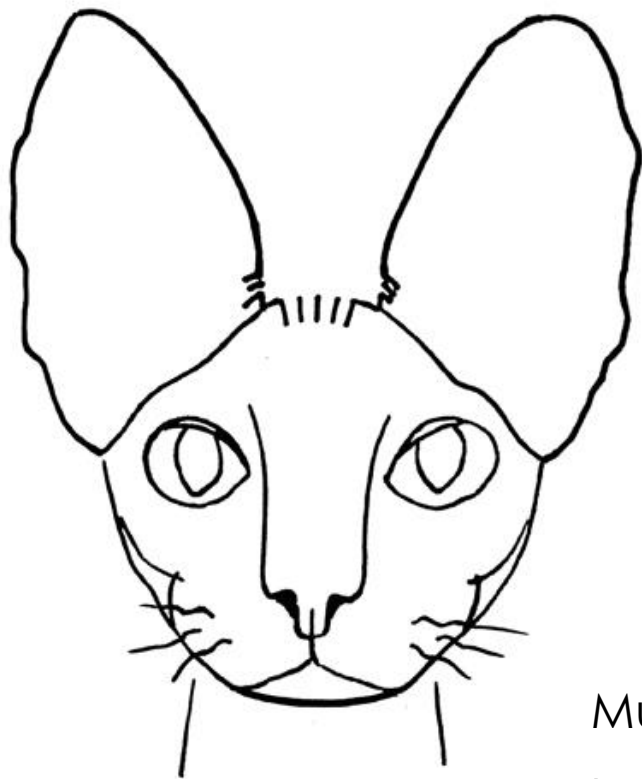
not too prominent or square

egg shape

strong chin



Front View



Muzzle and chin:

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Muzzle and Chin

A close-up photograph of a dog's muzzle and chin. The dog has light-colored fur and bright yellow eyes. A red circle is drawn around the central part of the muzzle, encompassing the bridge of the nose, the nostrils, and the upper lip. The text "Enough space for kisses" is centered within this circle.

Enough space for kisses

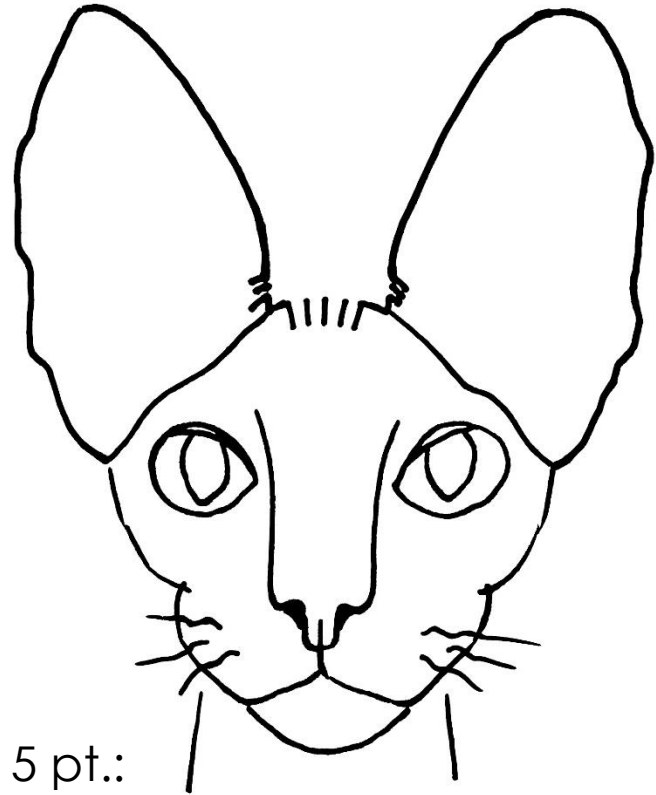
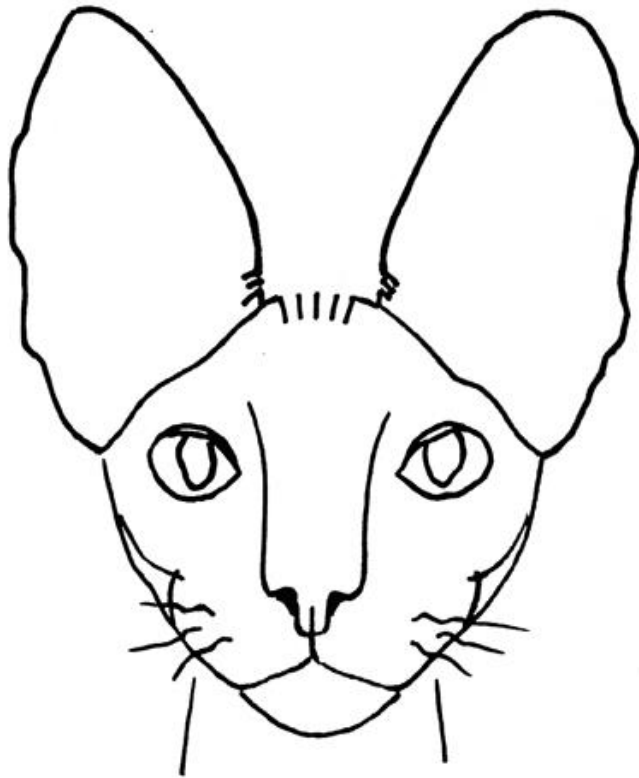
Muzzle and Chin



Enough space for kisses 😊



Front View



Eyes – 5 pt.:

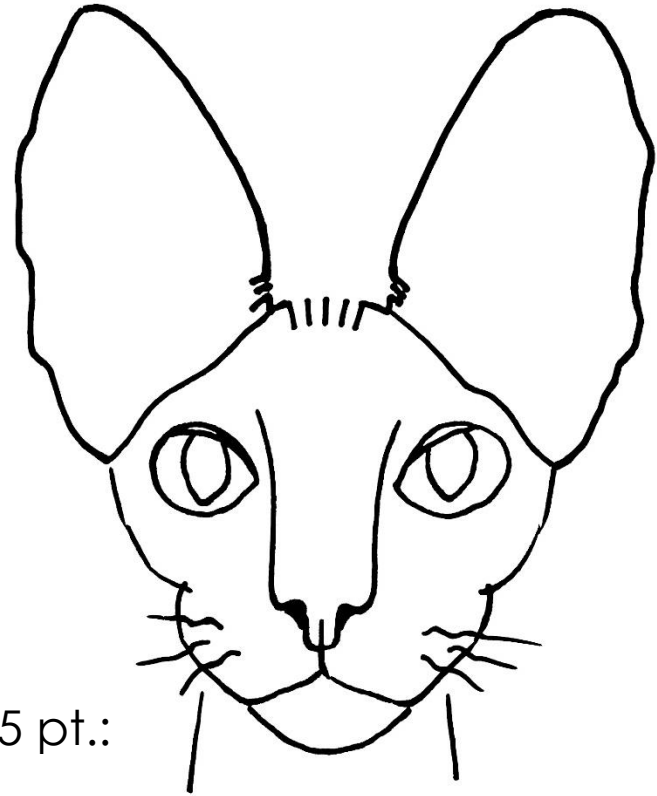
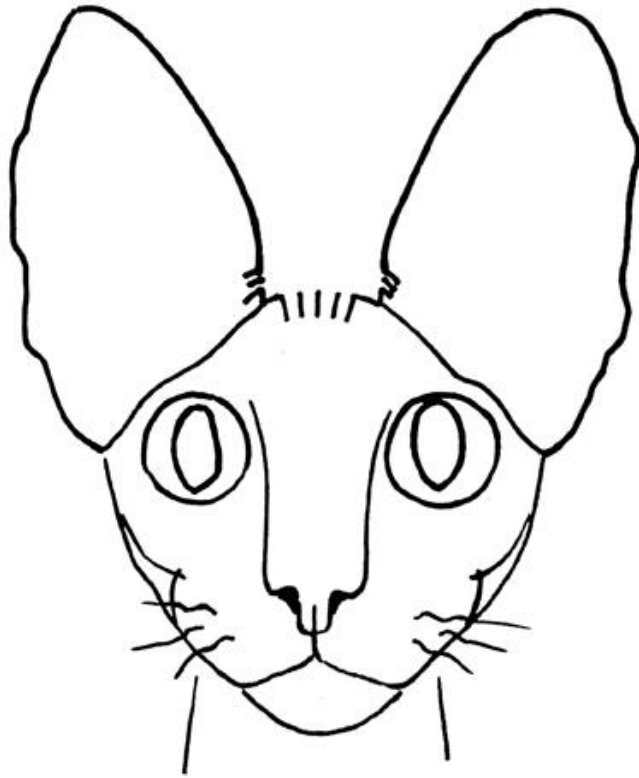
oval shaped

slanting slightly upward

medium to large in size



Front View



Eyes – 5 pt.:

oval shaped

slanting slightly upward

medium to large in size

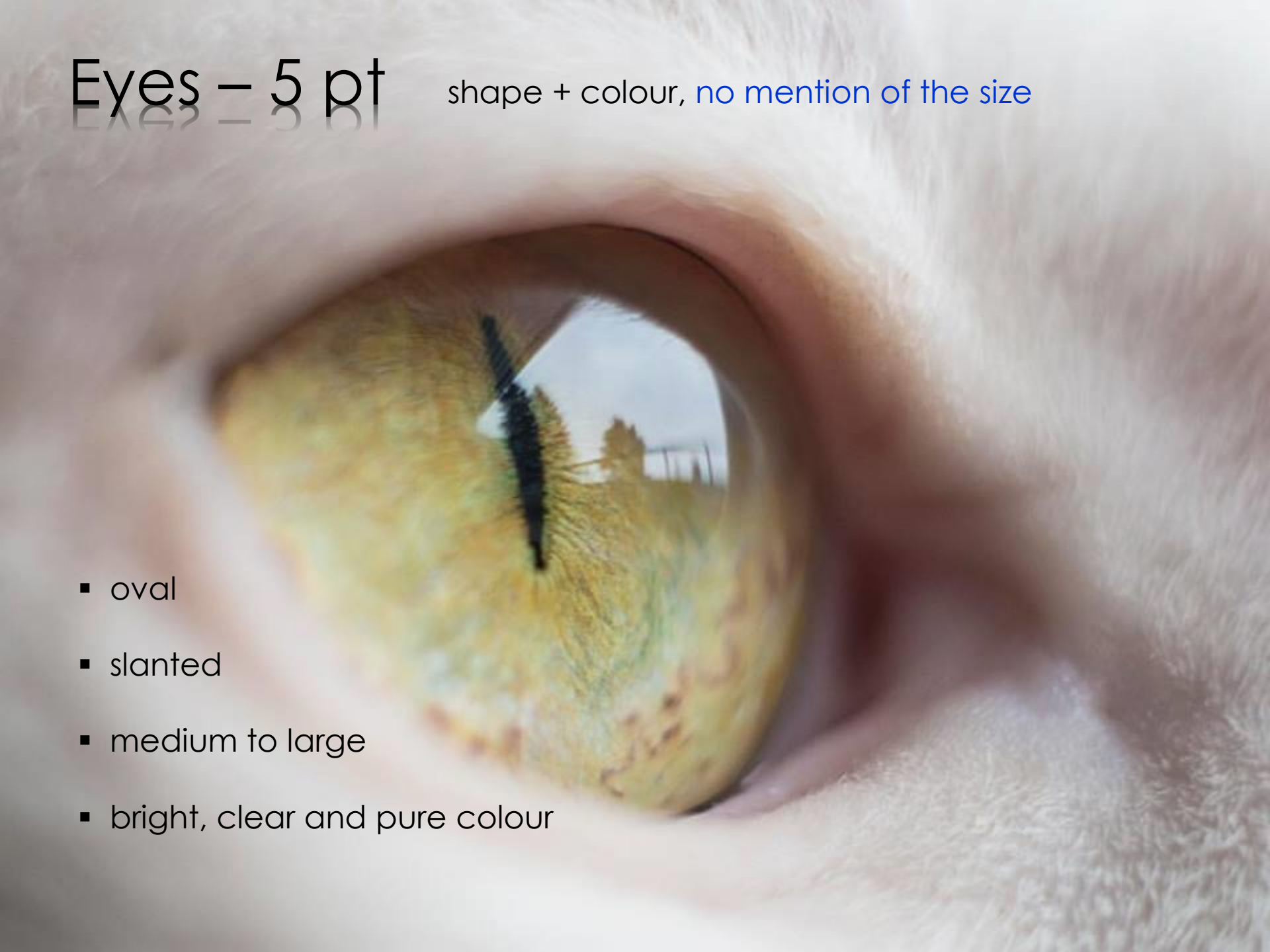




Eyes – 5 pt

shape + colour, no mention of the size

- oval
- slanted
- medium to large
- bright, clear and pure colour



Eyes



Eyes – 5 pt

shape + colour, no mention of the size



Eye shape is changing with mood and excitement

- oval
- slanted
- medium to large
- bright, clear and pure colour
- open
- have corners



Eyes

lazy



attentive



relaxed

Eyes



excited



Together with oval contours, the corners and angled set create a **very expressive look**

Eyes



CRX
DOUBLE
TROUBLE



CRX
DOUBLE
DOUBLE



CRX
DOUBLE
DOUBLE



Ears



Mussel... soft shell clam



Ears

points for the ears are included in the head
placement, shape and size

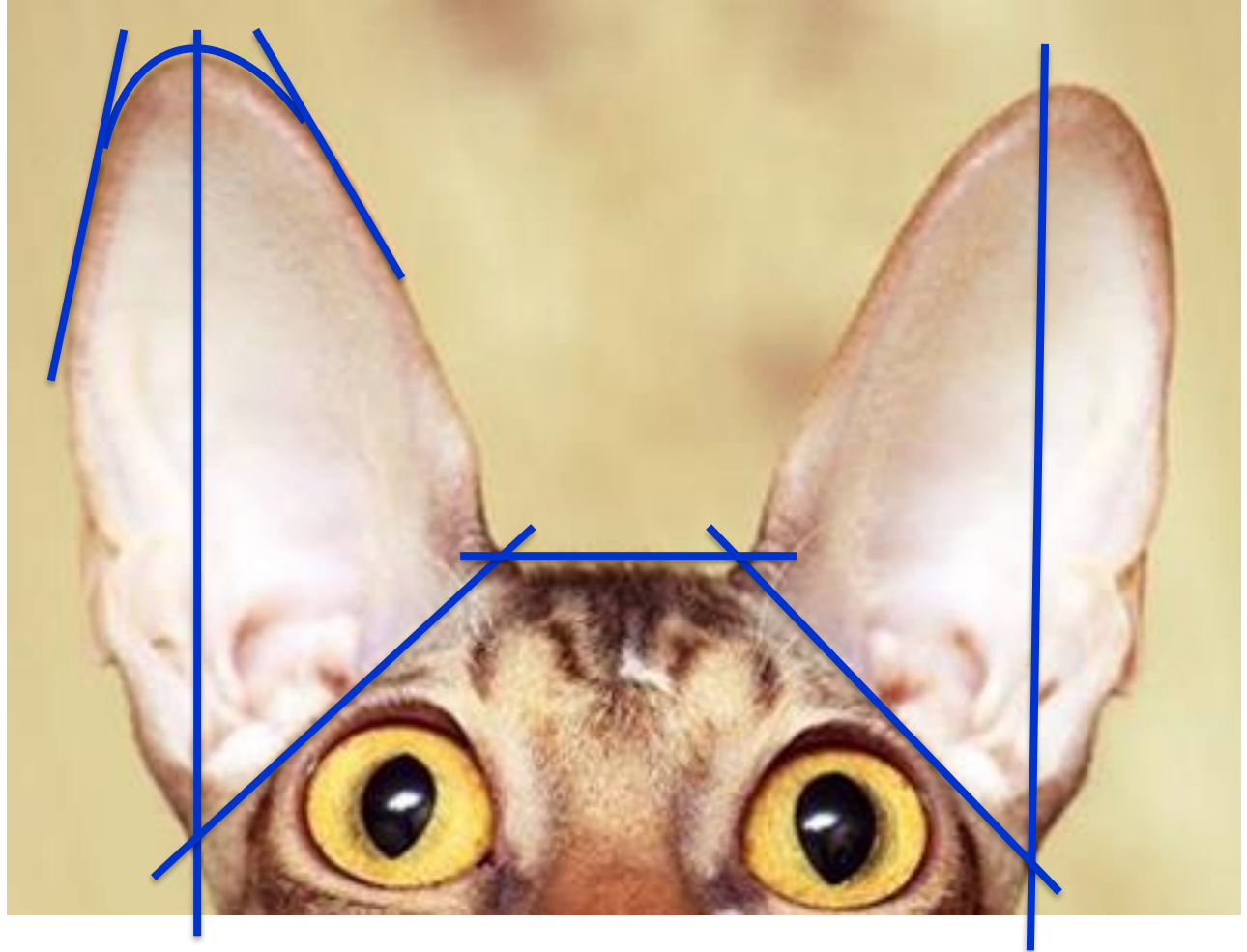


- set high on the head, held alert

- large
- wide at the base
- tapering to rounded tips



Ears



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- wide at the base
- set high on the head, held alert
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Ears Placement Comparison

set high



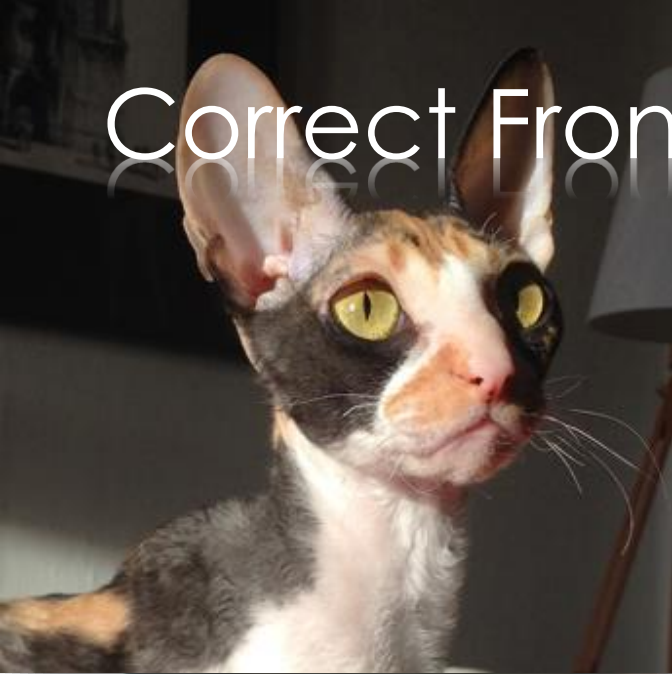
set at slight angle on head



set very low



Correct Front Views



Correct Front Views



Correct Front Views



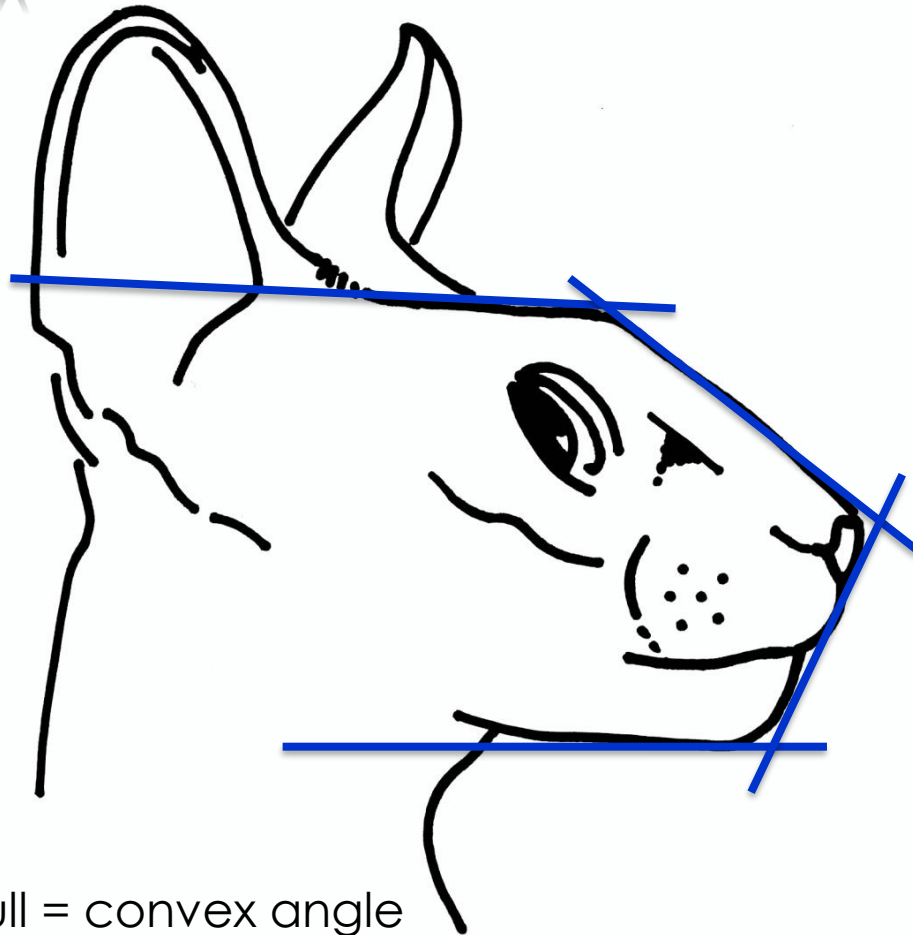
Correct Front Views



Profile View



Profile View



straight nose + flat skull = convex angle

strong chin

Profile View



straight nose

flat skull

convex angle

strong chin



Profile View



straight nose

flat skull

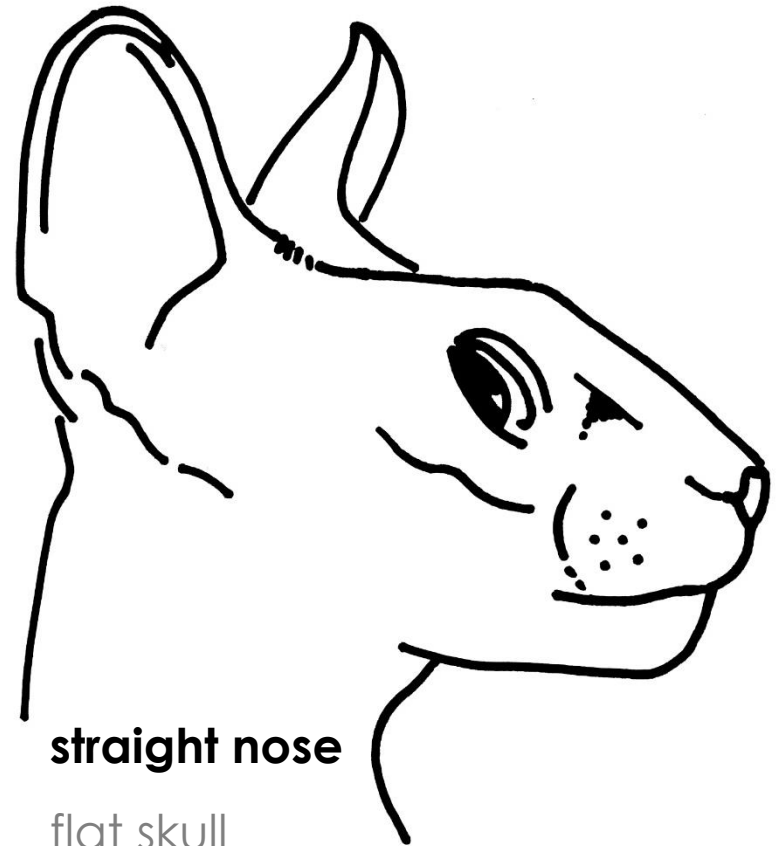
convex angle

strong chin



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Profile View



straight nose

flat skull

convex angle

strong chin



Profile View



straight nose

flat skull

convex angle

strong chin



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Correct Profiles



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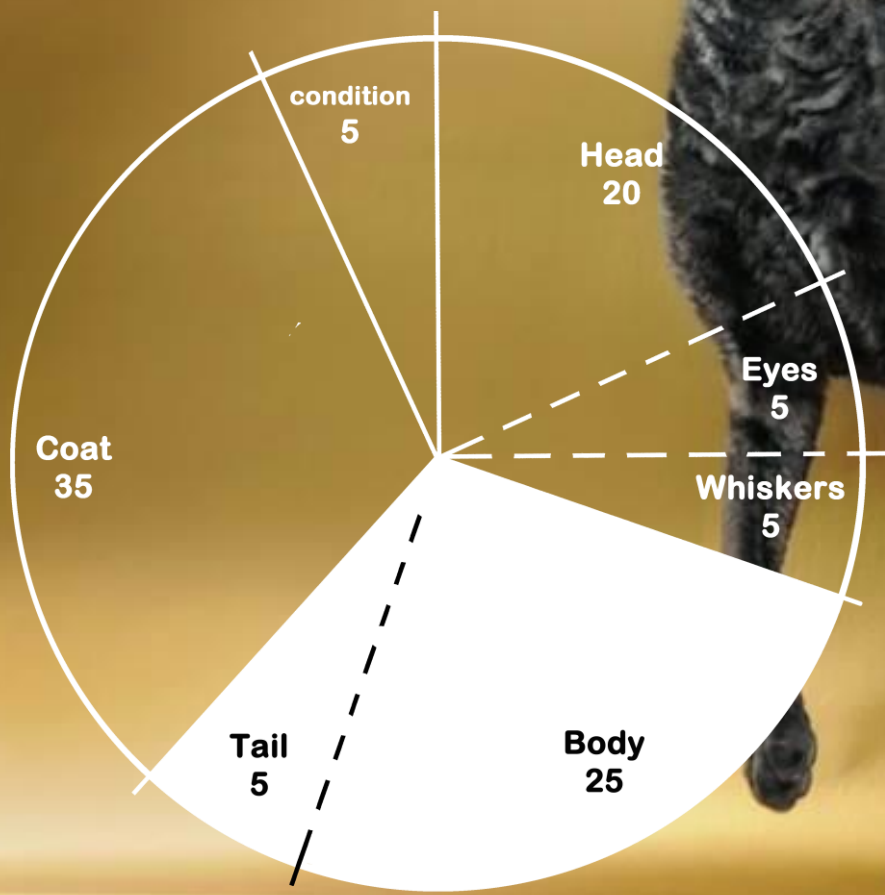
Correct Kittens' Profiles



CRX Profiles In Decades



CORNISH REX BODY



Body – 25 + 5 pt

medium size, medium length,
hard and muscular, slender

neck
elegant and slender

body weight heavier than the
cat's appearance indicates

delicate bone structure



Body – 25 + 5 pt

back naturally curved

hips and thighs
hard and muscular



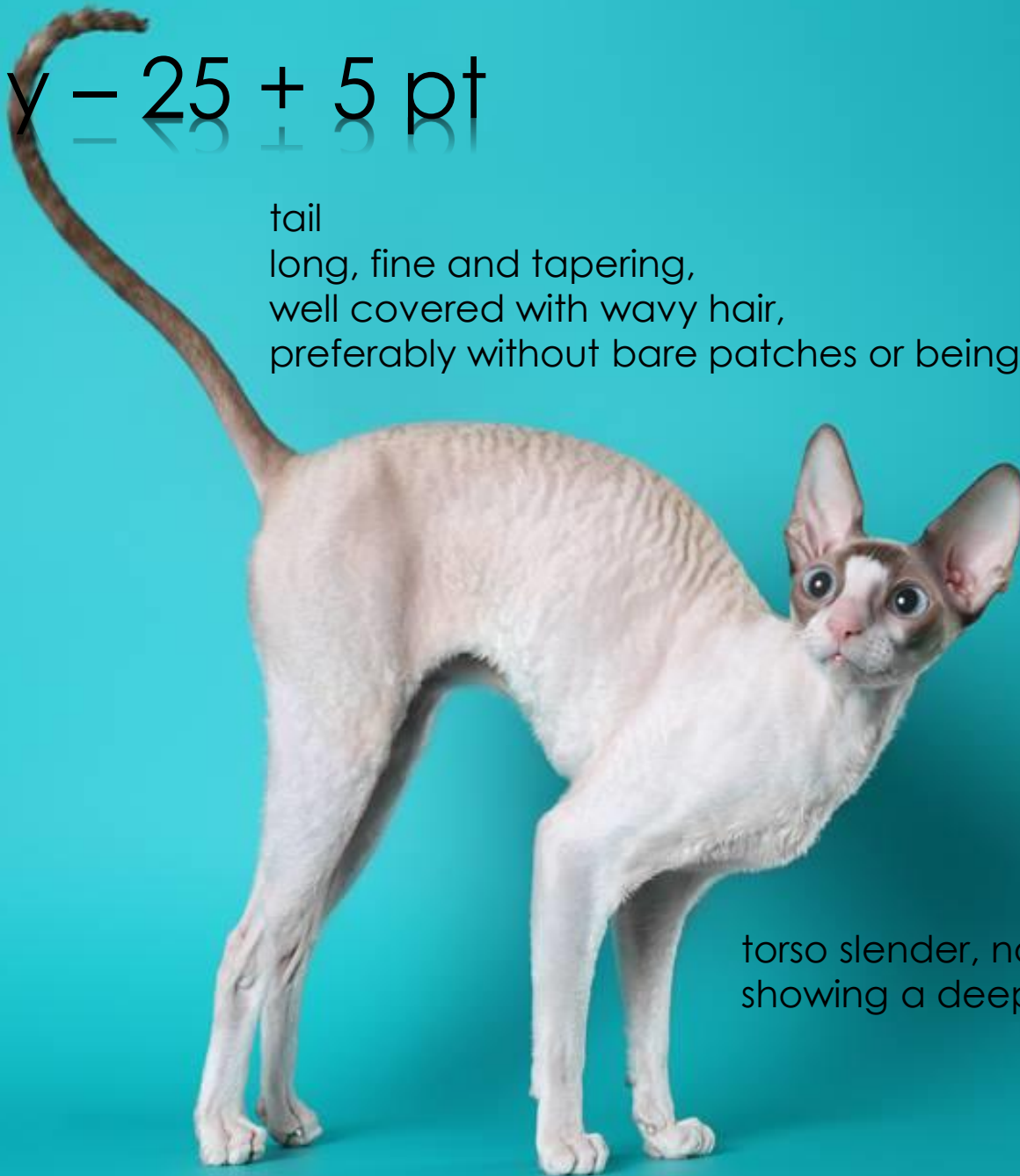
legs
long, straight and slender,
giving an overall appearance
of being high on legs

paws
small, oval, dainty

Body – 25 + 5 pt

tail

long, fine and tapering,
well covered with wavy hair,
preferably without bare patches or being bushy



torso slender, not tubular,
showing a deep, but not broad chest

Body



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- medium size
- medium length
- hard and muscular
- slender
- high on legs
- long tail
- elegant



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Correct Body



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Correct Body



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Correct Body

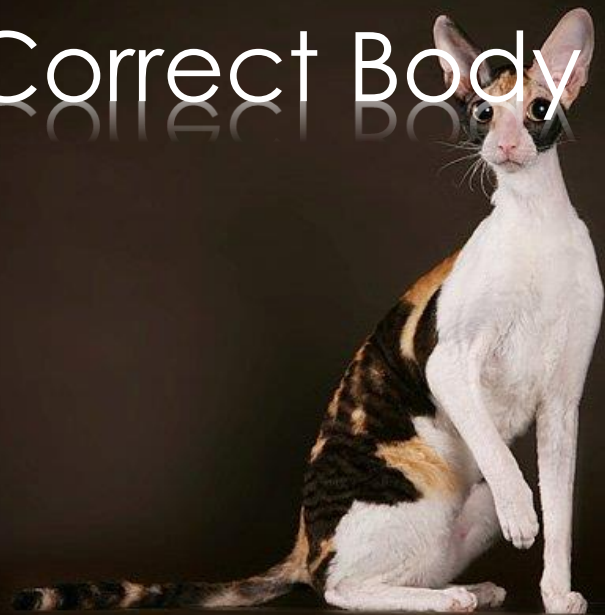


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Correct Body



Correct Body



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Correct Body



Paws



They are small, oval & dainty



Paws

They stink and they're adorable



Faults in Body and Tail

Body

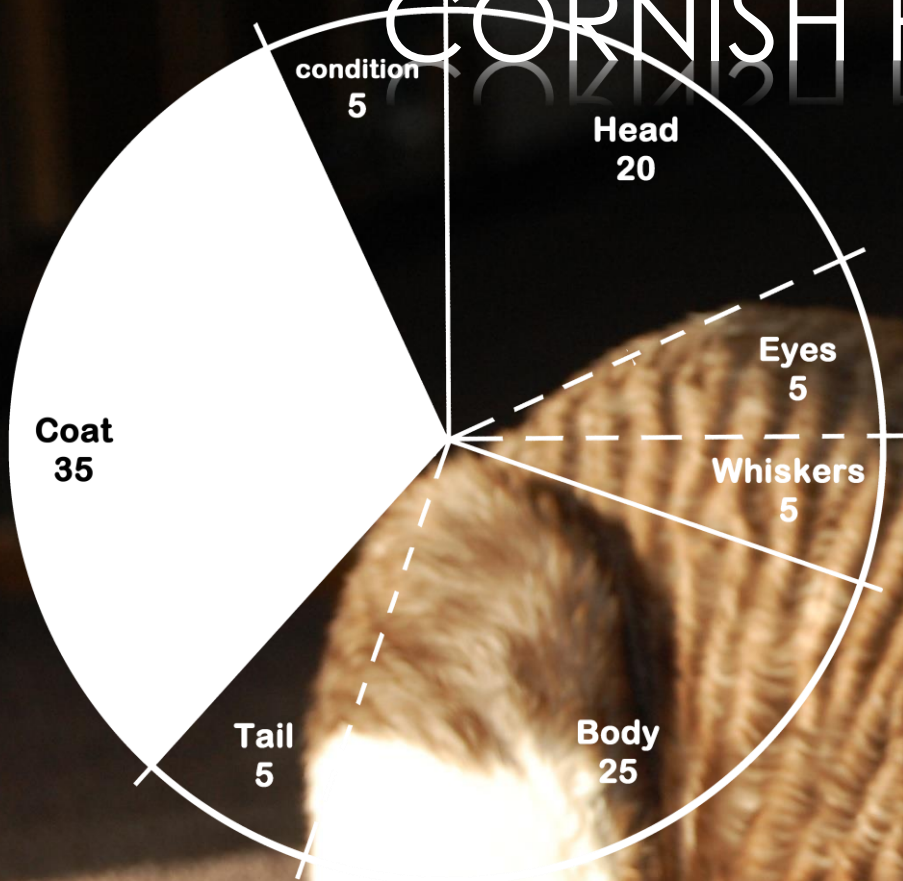
- too small in size
- cobby
- lack of firm muscles
- short legs
- lack of elegance

Tail

- short tail
- bare or bushy tail



CORNISH REX COAT



condition
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Head
20

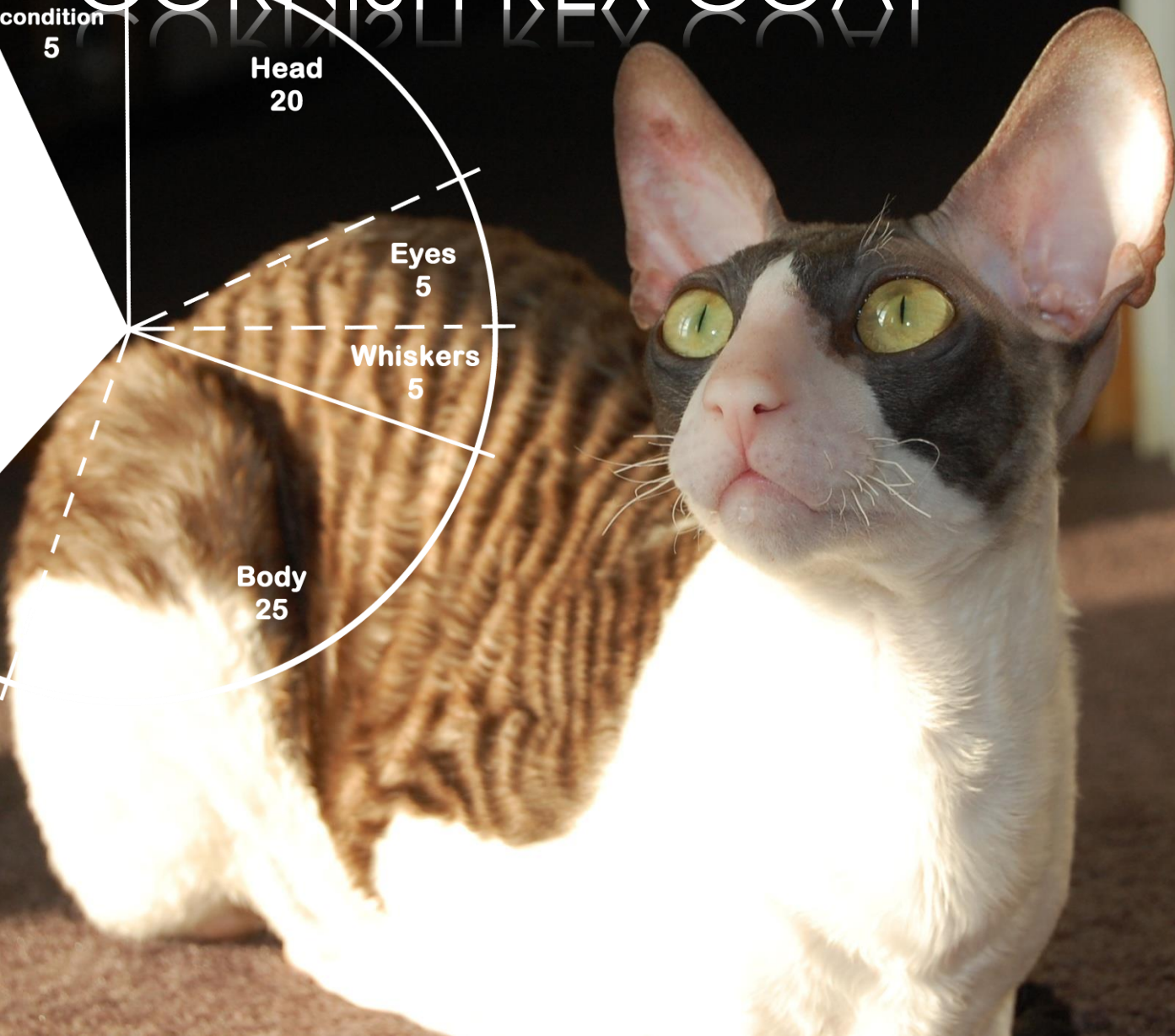
Eyes
5

Whiskers
5

Coat
35

Tail
5

Body
25



Coat – 35 pt

waves, quality and texture, no mention of the colour

- WAVY... particularly on the back and sides



Coat – 35 pt

waves, quality and texture, no mention of the colour

- short
- not shaggy
- slightly plush and dense
- close lying to the body
- without guard hairs



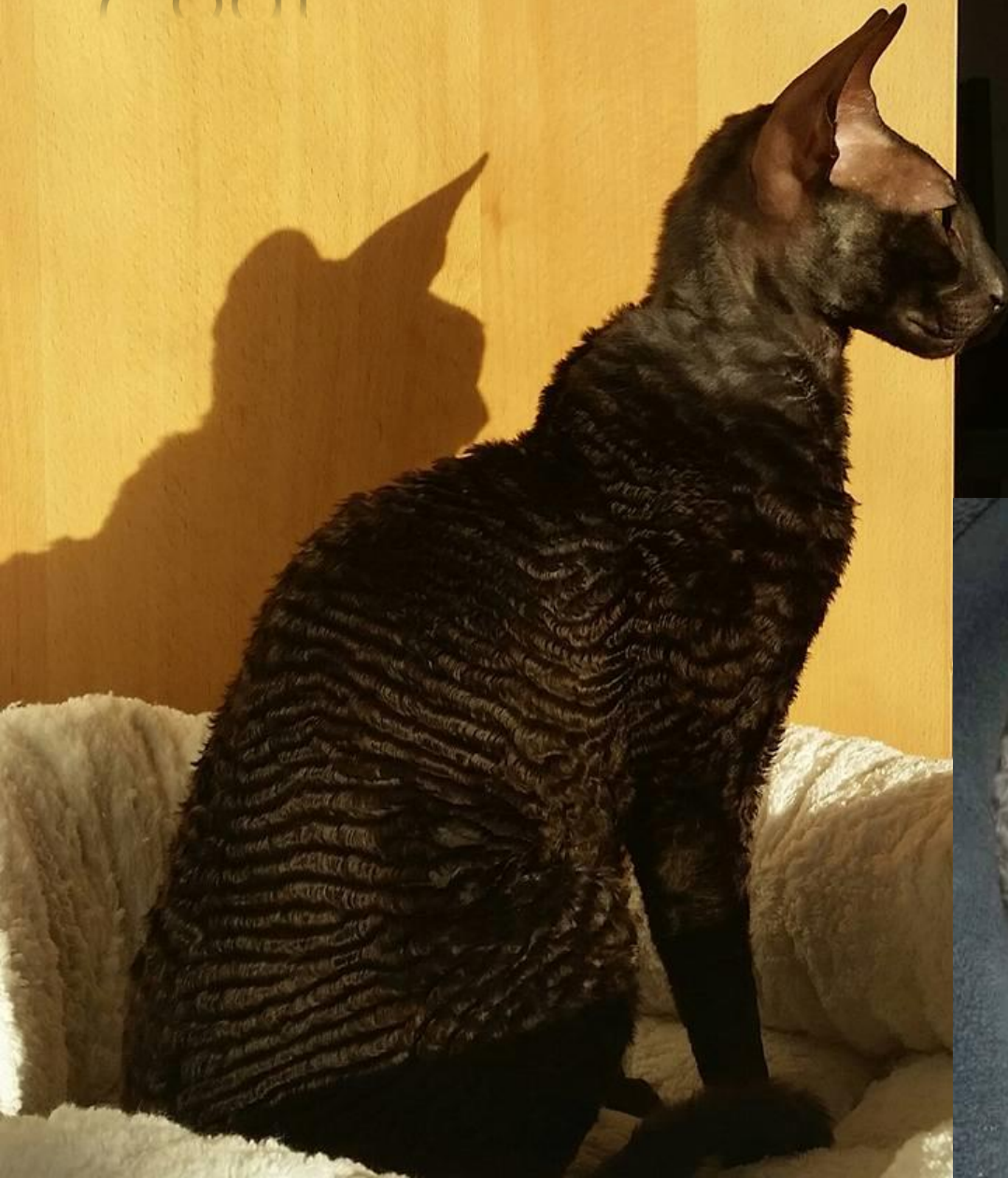
Coat – 35 pt



- small and regular waves
- closed not opened
- deeply rippled on back and along the spine




Coat



- high gloss that the coat almost looks wet
- exquisite sheen



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- incredibly soft to touch
 - like 'crushed velvet'
 - silky fineness, not wooly



- belly fully coated, plush and smooth

Coat

CRX coat should always be stroked from the head to the tail.
Backward stroking disrupts the lay of waves.



And because of the fragility of the hairs, may cause damage in the form of splitting and breaking if repeatedly brushed in the wrong direction.

Coat Development



Just born...

Coat Development



3-4 months old...

Coat Development



4-5 months old...

Coat Development



5-6 months old...

Coat Development



8-10 months old...

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Coat Development

Conclusion:

Shorter coat with still developing rexing should not be penalized on a kitten or junior, unless the skin is felt, if there is soft velvet or down everywhere.

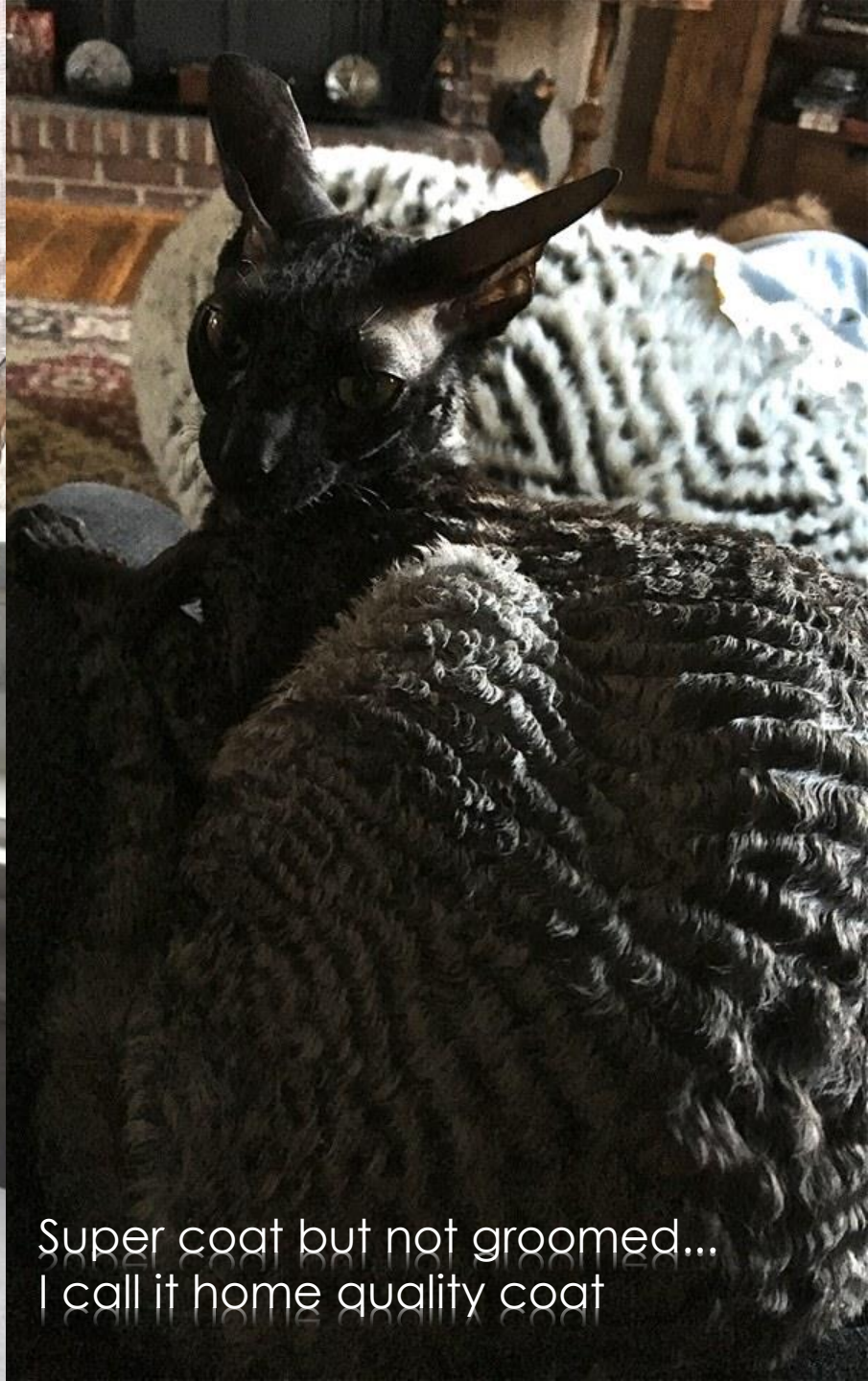


12 months old...



1,5 year old...





Super coat but not groomed...
I call it home quality coat



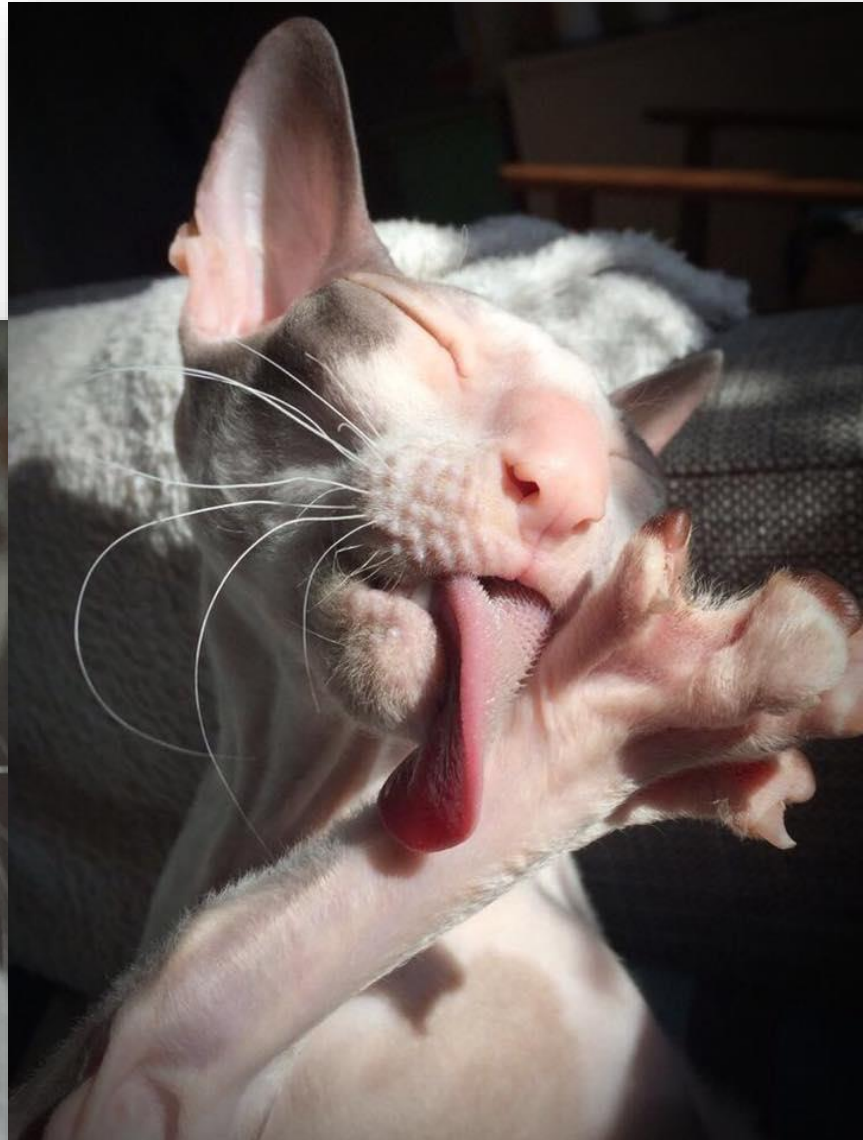
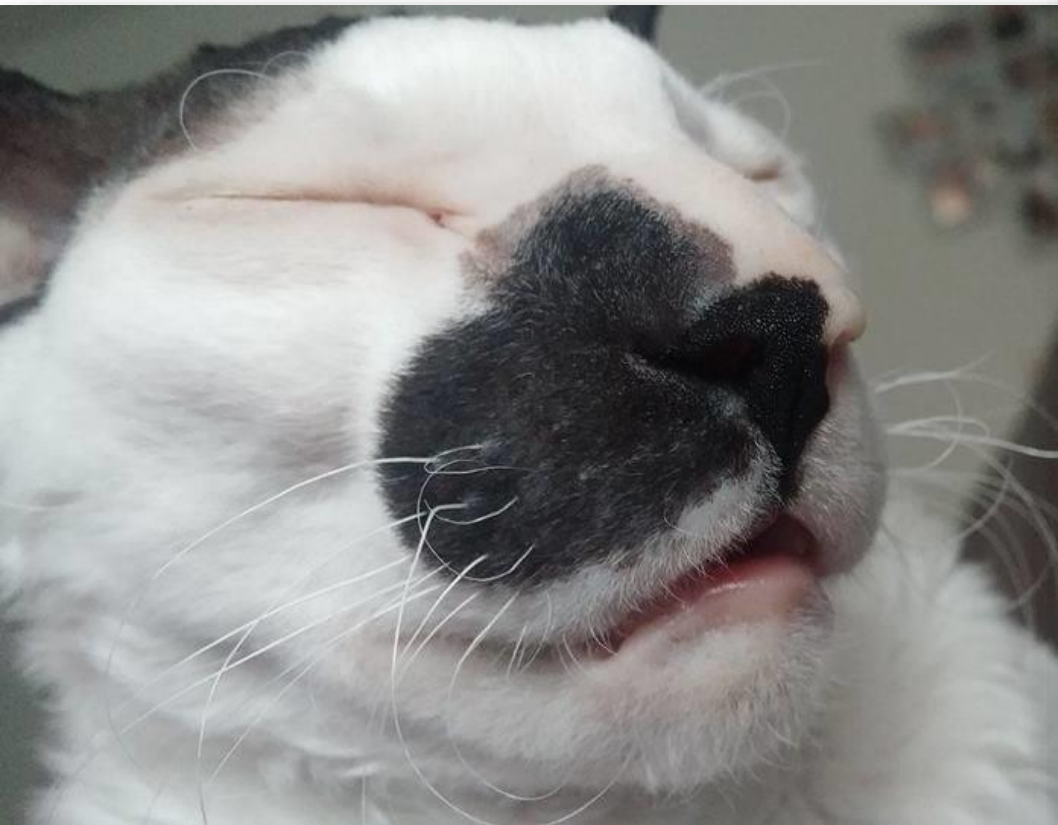
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show quality coat...
groomed well



CRX Wiskers & Eyebrows – 5 pt

- crinkling, curving, curled or bent
- sometimes broken
- sometimes short



Faults in CRX coat

- no coat
- too little waves
- bare patches
- shaggy



Coat Colours

Any colour accepted ?

↗ **All colours**

What tabby patterns ?

↗ **All tabby patterns, even 11 and 12 :)**

How much white ?

↗ **Any amount of white from 01 to 09 (no 04, no 05)**

Judged in colour or in groups ?

↗ **Groups, 9 groups**

What eye colour ?

↗ **All colours**

Coat Colours

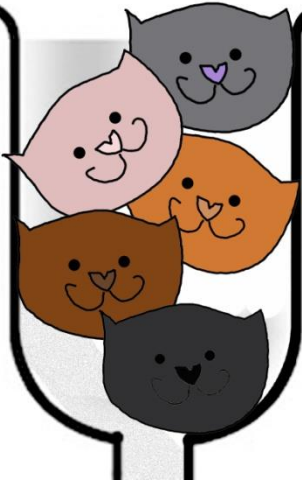
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COLOUR GROUPS



Coat Colours

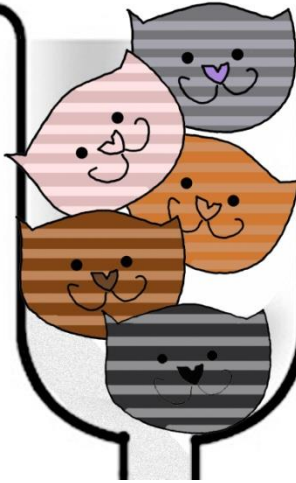
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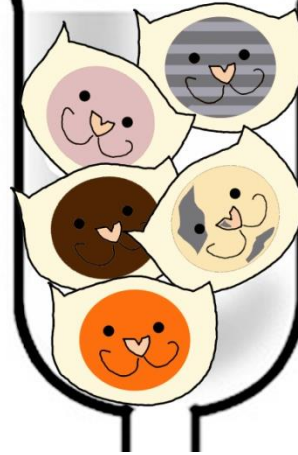
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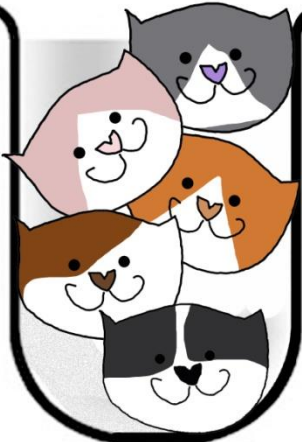
Group 5



Group 7



Group 2



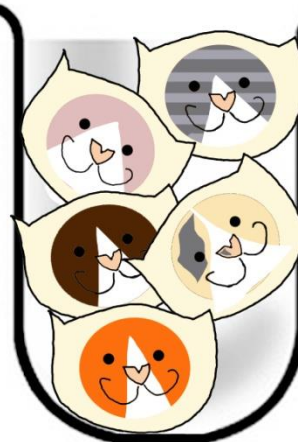
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Group 6

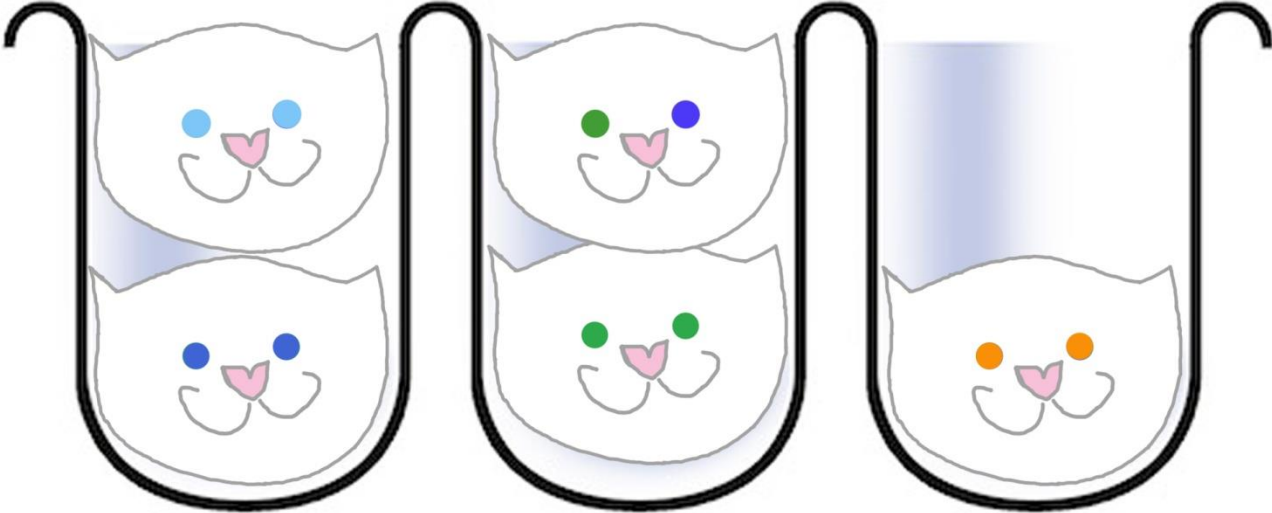


Group 8



Coat Colours

Group 9 ?



Coat Colours



Coat Colours



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Coat Colours





REX COAT „PROBLEMS”

HORMONS

SEASON/TEMPERATURE

STRESS

ALERGIC

FRAGILITY

BAD GROOMING

Behavior at home

They are hiper active

The higher, the faster the better



Behavior at home

They are hiper active

The higher, the faster the better

They have more than eight legs

They are in 2 places in one time



Behavior at home

They are hiper active

The higher, the faster the better

They have more than eight legs

They are in 2 places in one time

They want to play

They are in the center of attention



Behavior at shows

They are sensitive to the mood of the owner, empathic

They are bored... complaining about boredom

They want to be in the center of attention

They see and feel the competition

They want to play

They are often „jealous”



Thanks to many CRX breeders and owners for their help and pictures 😊

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Thanks for your participation and I wish you a lot of joy with CRX cats 😊

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