



ELITE MAINE COONS

OUR STORY. OUR CATS. OUR FUTURE.

A family-led vision for raising Maine Coons

BRED WITH LOVE, HANDLED WITH CARE

More than a kitten

A note from Tom and the EMC family

Elite Maine Coons began with a love of cats and an idea that kept growing: what if bringing home a kitten could be the start of a relationship that lasts for the cat's whole life? We want EMC to be a place where cats are cared for as individuals and families feel confident, informed and welcome.

The name says something about our ambition

"Elite" describes the standard of care and attention we are working to build. It is about thoughtful choices, a well-planned environment and doing right by the cats in front of us. We are building a genuine family business, with the time and commitment to grow it properly.

The family behind the name

I am Tom Fahy, and EMC is a project close to my family. We have put our own energy into finding premises, creating space for the cats, preparing the maternity area and learning what it takes to raise kittens well. Seeing a queen care for her little ones, and stepping in when a smaller kitten needs extra feeding time, makes the responsibility very real.

What we hope you feel

We want every enquiry to feel like a conversation, rather than a transaction. We would rather help someone decide whether this breed and this moment are right for them than rush the decision. A kitten's home and a family's expectations both matter.

Meet the Maine Coon

A striking cat with a grounded history

Maine Coons developed in the northeastern United States and are closely associated with the state of Maine. Their exact beginnings are uncertain; romantic stories abound, but the breed's roots lie in the region's long-haired working cats. They were already appearing at American cat shows in the nineteenth century.

Built for a northern climate

The substantial body, long shaggy coat, full tail and tufted paws give the Maine Coon its unmistakable outline. The breed is celebrated for size, but size alone is never the whole story: balance, health, movement and temperament are far more meaningful than chasing a number on a scale.

Personality with presence

Many Maine Coons are sociable, curious and playful. Their owners often describe them as companions who want to know what the household is doing. Each cat still has its own character, pace and preferences; a breed description can guide expectations, but it cannot replace getting to know an individual.

A commitment worth understanding

A Maine Coon needs room to play, scratching and climbing opportunities, coat care, veterinary attention, good food and time with its people. We want future owners to fall in love with the whole experience of living with one, including the ordinary daily care.

Breed background: Cat Fanciers' Association, cfa.org/breed/maine-coon-cat/

How EMC took shape

From an idea to a dedicated home for our cats

The first steps were practical. We formed Elite Maine Coons Ltd, set up a business account, chose our identity and found a two-bedroom property with a large garden and permission to develop a cattery. Then came the real work: making spaces where the cats could be comfortable, cared for and safely managed.

Building the space

We have been working through the cattery build ourselves: weatherproofing, insulation, lighting, flooring and separate areas for different needs. An indoor maternity suite gives a mother and her kittens a quieter place. Plans for secure outdoor space, sensible separation and a quarantine area are part of the wider setup.

Learning through the first litter

Our early experience with Cherry and her kittens has shown us how quickly a routine can turn into hands-on care. Watching the kittens grow, making time for the smallest one to feed and seeing their mother respond to them has given our family a powerful reason to keep improving what we do.

A business built in public view

We have shared stages of the cattery build and the kittens' early milestones. We want families to see the work and thought behind EMC, and to understand that building a responsible programme takes time, record keeping and continual learning.

Care is in the details

The routines behind a confident beginning

A thoughtful breeding programme

Our aim is to make considered pairing decisions, keep clear records for each cat and litter, and work closely with veterinary professionals on health and welfare. Breeding decisions must be led by the wellbeing of the queens, studs and kittens, not a production target.

Space for different needs

An expectant or nursing queen needs a calm maternity area. Kittens need warmth, observation and safe opportunities to explore. Adult cats need enrichment and individual attention. Separate spaces also help us manage introductions and health concerns sensibly.

The small daily moments

Clean bowls, fresh water, feeding, grooming, play, litter hygiene, monitoring and quiet time all matter. So do the little signs: who is eating well, who is gaining confidence and which kitten might need a little extra help.

Growing into family life

As kittens develop, we want to introduce everyday sounds, gentle handling, play and appropriate new experiences at a pace that suits them. The goal is a positive start, with each kitten's welfare and confidence guiding the process.

Always learning

We are at the beginning of this journey. We will keep improving our facilities, practices and knowledge as we gain experience and work through the relevant requirements for the business.

The journey home

Thoughtful matching and a supported transition

A good homecoming starts well before collection day. We want to learn about a prospective family's household, other pets, lifestyle and hopes for a companion. We also want to talk openly about the time, space and long-term costs involved.

Getting acquainted

We want families to see how the kittens are developing, ask questions and understand the individual personality beginning to emerge. Matching should be based on fit, not simply on who responds first.

Preparing for the first weeks

Before a kitten goes home, we intend to provide clear information on its familiar routine, feeding, grooming, settling in, play, introductions and veterinary follow-up. Specific paperwork and handover details will be explained for each kitten when available.

Staying in touch

The handover should be a beginning, not a goodbye. A new owner may need reassurance about a nervous first evening or a question months later. We want them to know there is a person behind EMC who remembers their cat.

What it means to be family

The everyday promise we make to a Maine Coon

A Maine Coon may arrive as a tiny kitten, but the decision is for many years. Being part of the EMC family means seeing a cat as a companion with its own needs and personality: someone to make space for in the home, the routine and the family story.

Time and company

These cats often enjoy being involved in family life. Give them attention, gentle play and places where they can choose to join you or rest undisturbed. Trust grows through consistent, respectful interaction.

Coat and comfort

Regular, gentle grooming helps keep the long coat comfortable and lets you notice changes in skin or condition. Start calmly, use suitable tools and make the experience positive rather than a battle.

Play and a safe home

Scratching surfaces, climbing spots, toys and room to explore help a clever, active cat use its body and mind. A secure environment gives that curiosity somewhere safe to go.

Food, health and observation

Provide appropriate food and fresh water, keep up with veterinary care, and pay attention to changes in appetite, behaviour, movement or toileting. Familiarity with your own cat makes it easier to spot when something is different.

Why it matters

Daily care builds wellbeing and confidence. For us, responsible ownership is the other half of responsible breeding: the start we give a kitten matters most when it is carried forward in its new home.

A lifelong EMC family

The direction we are building towards

Our long-term ambition is to make EMC a recognised home for carefully raised Maine Coons and a trusted source of guidance for the families who love them. The cattery, the breeding programme and the owner experience will grow together, step by step.

A dedicated environment

We intend to keep developing the premises: secure and enriching areas, a well-organised maternity space, practical cleaning and storage, and suitable separation where cats need it.

A private owner space

We are developing a client web experience designed to hold each cat's profile, searchable care guidance and a place for EMC families to connect. A private prototype is being tested; the full service will evolve with feedback from our first families.

Support beyond kittenhood

We want to offer useful guidance through changes in a cat's life, from kittenhood and grooming to enrichment and the senior years. We also hope to build a community where owners can share the joy of their cats and feel part of something lasting.

Growing at the right pace

Our measure of success is not simply the number of kittens. It is the wellbeing of our cats, the quality of their homes and the trust we earn over time.



WELCOME TO THE EMC FAMILY

We would love to hear your story and introduce you to ours.

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