

De-Needy Your Cat

Follow these tips to help your cat be less demanding.

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If you don't want your cat in your face at all hours, try these suggestions: See your veterinarian to rule out any medical problems. Differentiate needy from demanding. Look in the mirror to discover who created this monster, then: Don't respond to demands you find obnoxious or overbearing. Don't be a pushover. Be like a cat: a bit aloof, a bit indifferent. Practice a gentle form of "tough love." Just don't give the cat so much attention. Bring home another cat. A lot of needy behavior is just boredom. An appropriate companion could solve your problem.