

The Collectible Cats

Suzanne Stowe blogs about a catty dilemma - the more than 300 kitty-themed items around her house.

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Being a cat lover, I'm naturally drawn to beautiful cat items. Over the years, I've collected many special pictures, clothes, picture frames and almost anything else you can think of that a cat can decorate. This has become a bit of a problem because I don't have room to display all of my great cat items. I probably have more than 300 cat items in my possession — which is probably 200 too many!

My friends have contributed to my dilemma. Every holiday and birthday, I am given more beautiful cat items. I have started telling people to stop giving me cat things. That helped a little, but for my recent birthday, I received three new cat items: a cat mug, a cat cutting board and cat magnets.

I'm moving in about a month, and will have to divest myself of a few of my kitty things. It will be a tough process for me, but I don't see any reason to move boxes of cat things from one location to another. I'm going to donate them to a local charity and hope that the kitty items find a good home with someone else.

I've been guilty of doing the same things to my friends — buying them too many cat things because they love cats. Since I have reached my capacity, I've backed off on doing that and now check with them before I get them any more kitty things.

Do you have the same catty problem? How have you dealt with it?