OWNER MANUAL

Welcome home, little Loaf Cat.



Thank you for choosing a Loaf Cat. It’s a small desk companion with eyes that look around, blink, nap now and then and sometimes say a quiet word. There’s nothing to switch on: plug it in and it wakes up by itself.

WHICH CAT DO YOU HAVE?

Touch cat

A small **round window on its back**, just behind the ears, and a **paw print** on one side. The paw print is its voice. Stroke it, tap it, and it meows, purrs and talks back.

Classic cat

A **smooth back** with no window. Everything in this manual is for your cat too, except “Touch your cat” below.

EVERY DAY

- **Power:** plug it into a USB-C phone charger or a computer. To switch it off, unplug it.
- **Where:** on a desk or shelf where you can see its face.
- **Naps:** now and then its eyes close for a while. That’s normal. It wakes up by itself (and a touch cat wakes up when you touch it).
- **Quiet by default:** a touch cat only makes a sound when you touch it. A hello at switch-on and meowing on its own are off until you turn them on (page 2).

TOUCH YOUR CAT touch cats only

Touch the **round window** behind its ears with a bare fingertip. A light touch is enough. It can’t feel you anywhere else on the shell. Each time it picks one of several sounds and phrases, so it doesn’t feel like a recording. Out of the box:

YOU	YOUR CAT
Tap once a quick touch	Meows and says hello: *“Hello, human”*, *“Mrrow?”*, *“You came back!”* Then hearts.
Tap twice, quickly	Chirps: *“Boop!”*, *“Hehe!”*, *“That’s tickly”*. Then little cats.
Lots of fast taps about four in a row	Gets cross: *“Hey!”*, *“Too fast!”*, *“Gentle, please”*.
Stroke it slow touches, one after another	Purrs: *“Right there”*, *“Oh keep doing that”*. Then hearts.
Rest your finger on it longer than a second and a half	Purrs: *“So warm”*, *“Stay a while”*. Then hearts.
Touch it while it naps	Wakes with a yawn: *“Five more minutes”*, *“I was dreaming of fish”*.

> It says the words first, then plays the little scene. You can change every one of these, and its voice too, on the page shown on page 2.

MAKE IT YOURS

1. **Plug your cat into a computer** with a USB-C cable.
2. **Open the page at the bottom in Chrome or Edge.**
   On a computer. Phones, tablets, Safari and Firefox can't connect.
3. **Press Connect** and pick your cat from the list.
4. **Change anything you like, then press Save.**
   Touch and voice settings are kept the moment you change them. For the rest, unplugging without saving keeps the old settings.

- A greeting with **your name** when it powers up
- Up to 30 **messages of your own**, in order or at random
- Seven **eye styles**, including hearts
- Text size, a **words-only screen** and a clock

TOUCH CATS ALSO

- What it **says, plays and does** for each kind of touch
- Its **voice**: volume, pitch (big old cat to tiny kitten), meow length
- A **live touch test**, and how it reads taps, strokes and holds
- **Hello at switch-on** and **meowing on its own** (off until you choose)

IF SOMETHING ISN'T RIGHT

The screen stays dark.
Try another USB-C cable and charger, or a computer's USB port. Unplug it for a few seconds and plug it back in.

The page can't find my cat.
Use Chrome or Edge on a computer, and a cable that carries data (some cables only charge). Close any other tab that is connected to it, then press Connect again.

It doesn't answer when I touch it.
Touch the round window itself, with a bare fingertip. On the page, check **Answer when touched** is on, then watch the live touch test while you touch it.

It reacts when I let go, or acts as if it's touched all the time.
On the page, turn on **My touch sensor works the other way round**, then unplug it and plug it back in.

Too loud, too quiet, or the wrong kind of cat.
Use **Volume**, **Voice pitch** and **Length of a meow** on the page.

I want it back the way it arrived.
Press **Reset to defaults**, then **Save**. For the touch reactions, press **Back to the cute cat defaults**.

LOOKING AFTER IT

- Indoors and dry. Wipe it with a soft, dry cloth, unplugged.
- Keep it out of hot sun and hot cars: the printed shell can soften in the heat.
- Use an ordinary USB-C phone charger or computer port. It needs very little power.
- It's a desk companion, not a toy for small children: there are small electronic parts inside.
- Your settings and words stay on your cat and are never sent to us.

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> Please tell others with a review on Etsy. I design and hand-build every one myself, and each review helps my little shop get found, so I can keep dreaming up new, curious gadgets. A line or two is plenty, and a photo of your cat on your desk would make my day.

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