BURMESE (AMERICAN)

GENERAL STANDARD

The Burmese of American origin is a medium cat with substantial bone structure, good muscular development and a surprising weight for its size. This together with a rounded head, expressive eyes and a sweet expression presents a totally distinctive cat that is comparable to no other breed. Males are generally larger than females.

HEAD: Pleasingly rounded without flat planes whether viewed from the front or side. The face is full with considerable breadth between the eyes and blends gently into a broad, well developed short muzzle that maintains the rounded contours of the head. In profile there is a visible nose break. The head sits on a well-developed neck.

EARS: Medium in size, set well apart, broad at the base, and rounded at the tips. Tilting slightly forward, the ears contribute to an alert appearance.

EYES: Large, expressive, set well apart, with rounded aperture.

NOSE: Moderately short of even width, with the end slightly rounded down, thus completing the roundness of the head.

CHEEKS: Broad and well rounded.

JAWS: Wide at the hinge, strong and rounded.

CHIN: Firmly rounded and well developed.

NECK: Short, thick and heavily muscled, especially in males.

BODY: Medium in size, muscular in development.

LEG: Medium size and well proportioned to body.

PAWS: Round and firm.

TAIL: Straight, medium in length.

CONDITION: Perfect physical condition with excellent muscle tone.

SCALE OF POINTS.

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FAULTS / PENALTIES

REFER TO GENERAL LIST OF FAULTS FOR ALL BREEDS, PLUS:

PENALISE:
- Wedge shaped head with elongated muzzle.
- Sleek oriental appearance.
- Green eye colour.
- Distinct barring on front or rear outer legs (trace permitted on kittens).

WITHHOLD:
- Locket or spots.
- Incorrect nose leather or paw pad colour.
- Blue eye colour.
- Distinct barring on torso.
- Any other colour than the four accepted colours.

COAT AND COLOUR

COAT LENGTH AND TEXTURE: The coat on the American Burmese is fine, glossy with satin like texture: short and very close lying.

COLOUR

SABLE (BROWN)

Coat colour: Rich warm sable brown, shading almost imperceptibly to a slighter lighter hue on the under parts, but with otherwise without shading, barring or markings of any kind in a mature adult cat. Kittens are often lighter in colour.

Nose leather: Brown.

Paw pads: Brown.

Eye colour: Ranges from gold to yellow, the greater depth and brilliancy the better.

BLUE

Coat colour: Medium blue with warm fawn undertones, shading almost imperceptibly to a slightly lighter hue on the under-parts, but otherwise without shadings, barring or markings of any kind in a mature adult cat.

Nose leather: Slate grey.

Paw pads: Ranging from slate grey to warm pinkish blue.
Eye colour: Ranges from gold to yellow, the greater depth and brilliance the better.

CHAMPAGNE (CHOCOLATE)

Coat colour: Warm honey beige, shading to a pale gold tan underside. Slight darkening on ears and face permissible but lesser shading preferred. A slight darkening on an older cat allowed, the emphasis being on evenness of colour.

Nose leather: Light warm brown.
Paw pads: Warm pinkish tan.
Eye colour: Ranges from gold to yellow, the greater depth and brilliance the better.

PLATINUM (LILAC)

Coat colour: Pale silvery grey with pale fawn undertones, shading almost imperceptibly to a slightly lighter hue on the under parts, but with otherwise without shading, barring or markings of any kind in a mature adult cat.

Nose leather: Lavender pink.
Paw pads: Lavender pink.
Eye colour: Ranges from gold to yellow, the greater depth and brilliance the better.

BREEDING NOTES

NOTES: No allowable outcross.

May be used as a breeding partner (Sable/brown only) for the Bombay.