



Mandalay

General Standard

The Mandalay is an elegant cat of foreign type, medium in size that is identical to the Burmese in type; the only difference is that the Mandalay has a full colour expression coat colour. Males are generally larger than females.

Head	Slightly rounded on top with good width between the ears, having wide cheek bones and tapering to a short, blunt wedge. The head is a balanced wedge and is not to be too short or rounded. A muzzle pinch is a bad fault.
Ears	Medium in size, set well apart on the skull, broad at the base, with slightly rounded tips. The outer line of the ear continues the shape of the upper part of the face through this may be less obvious in males who develop a fullness of cheek. In profile the ears have a slight forward tilt.
Eyes	Set well apart, large and lustrous. The top line of the eye is a straight line which is slanted towards the nose, with the lower line being rounded.
Nose	Moderately short and of even width. In profile a definite nose break is essential. A Roman nose or bump on the nose are faults.
Jaws	Wide at the hinge, strong and gently rounded.
Chin	Firm. In profile of good depth and in a vertical line with the tip of the nose.
Body	Body of medium length and size, feeling hard and muscular and heavier than its appearance indicates. The chest should be strong and rounded in profile, the back straight from shoulder to rump, although the rump is a little higher.
Legs	Strong but not heavily boned and in proportion to the body. The hind legs are slightly longer than the forelegs.
Paws	Neat and oval.
Tail	Straight and of medium length, not heavy at the base, tapering only slightly to a rounded tip, without bone defect.
Condition	Well-muscled, with good weight and size.

Scale of Points

Head & Neck	20	
Ears	5	
Eye Shape & Set	10	35
Body	15	
Legs & Paws	5	
Tail	5	25
Coat Colour & Pattern	15	
Coat Texture & Length	10	
Eye Colour	10	35
Overall Condition	5	5
Total		100

Faults & Penalties

Refer to general list of faults for all breeds plus:

Penalise:

- **A Roman nose or bump on the nose.**
- **Flat skull.**
- **Flared ears.**

- Incorrect eye shape.
- Green rim in eye colour.
- Any suggestion of British Shorthair type or substance.
- Dark whiskers (Red/Cream).

Withhold:

- Muzzle pinch.
- A noticeable number of white hairs or a white spot in solids.
- Barring in adults.
- Green eyes.

Coat & Colour

Coat Length & Texture	Very short, fine, lying close to the body, satin-like in texture, almost without undercoat, very glossy.
Coat Colour & Pattern	Colour to be of uniform density, sound to the roots and without any markings. The presence of a few white hairs may be overlooked in an otherwise excellent exhibit, but a noticeable number of white hairs or a white patch is a serious fault, as is any tabby barring in adults.
Eye Colour	Gold or yellow through to orange. Rich colour preferred.

Coat Colours

Solid Group

Black

Coat Colour	Jet black and glossy.
Nose Leather	Black.
Paw Pads	Black.

Blue

Coat Colour	Light to medium blue-grey; no brownish tinge.
Nose Leather	Blue-grey.
Paw Pads	Blue-grey.

Chocolate

Coat Colour	All shades of warm, chestnut brown. Not too dark.
Nose Leather	Warm chocolate.
Paw Pads	Chocolate brown with a pinkish tone allowable.

Lilac

Coat Colour	Faded lilac with a distinct pink tone.
Nose Leather	Lavender-pink.
Paw Pads	Lavender-pink.

Red

Coat Colour	Strong red (warm orange).
Nose Leather	Pink.
Paw Pads	Pink.

Cream

Coat Colour	Pure, pastel cream (not a hot colour).
Nose Leather	Pink.
Paw Pads	Pink.

Tortoiseshell Group

In all colours well-defined patches of colour evenly distributed over the whole body, including extremities. The red/cream colour can show various shades of the colour; the colours must be pure and bright. A red/cream blaze is desirable. No tabby barring in the red/cream parts. The distribution of patches (or intermingling of colour) is of less importance than the other details of the colour; large or small patches (2 or 3 hairs constitute a patch).

Black Tortoiseshell

Coat Colour	Black and red (dark and light shades).
Nose Leather	Black, pink or patched with both.
Paw Pads	Black, pink or patched with both.

Blue Tortoiseshell

Coat Colour	Blue-grey and cream (dark and light shades).
Nose Leather	Blue-grey, pink or patched with both.
Paw Pads	Blue-grey, pink or patched with both.

Chocolate Tortoiseshell

Coat Colour	Chocolate and red (dark and light shades).
Nose Leather	Chocolate brown, pink or patched with both.
Paw Pads	Cinnamon to chocolate, pink or patched with both.

Lilac Tortoiseshell

Coat Colour	Lilac and cream (dark and light shades).
Nose Leather	Lavender-pink, pink or patched with both.
Paw Pads	Lavender-pink, pink or patched with both.

NOTE: In all colours kittens may have paler nose leather and paw pads.

Breeding Notes

Allowable Outcross

Burmese

Notes

None

Standard Updates

March 2023 – Standard reformatted. This reformatted standard includes all previous updates and amendments.

For information on previous standard updates and amendments, please see the Register of Breed Standards Updates on the CCCA website or contact the CCCA Secretary.

19 November 2023 - "Foundation" section removed as this was not approved for inclusion in the reformatted standard.