Gardening for Cats

Today on Gardening in a Minute: gardening for cats.

Cat lovers may want to create a special place in their gardens for their furry companions.

The first thing to consider when gardening with your cat in mind is whether wildlife visits your garden. Remove any birdfeeders or birdbaths if you are going to encourage your cat to be outside.

Create a snacking spot for your kitty by planting wheat grass and oat grass, available as seed from many garden centers.

Of course, you definitely want to include catnip or cat mint in your garden. They can be purchased in seed or plant form. Like most plants, catnip will grow bushier and stronger if you pinch off the tips while it’s young. You can dry the pinched bits to use in your cat’s indoor toys.

For more information about gardening for pets and many other gardening topics, contact your county Extension office or visit Gardening in a Minute dot com.

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