

Backdoor Friends Purebred Cat Rescue

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The tallest



Sophie

TWELVE CATS ADOPTED SINCE LAST FALL'S NEWSLETTER

7 Males

5 Females

Of those 12 cats, two were purebreds. The oldest cat adopted was Sophie who is 13-years-old.

The youngest was kitten Bailey.



Lewis



Foxy

Editor Lucy McGuire

BENNY BOY

by
Anne Klein

Seven years ago I booked a reservation at my cat hotel for a kitten that would ultimately change my life. The kitten was a six-month old male Cornish Rex purebred cat named Benny. I was very excited to meet Benny and have him as a guest at the hotel. Several years earlier I had met a



Cornish Rex breeder at a local cat show and was hooked with the personality and unique appearance of this breed. However, since all my personal cats come from my cat rescue I was not optimistic about ever owning this rare breed. The weekend flew by with many visits to his room and several walk arounds with him showing him off to the store customers.

Last February I received a frantic call on the Backdoor Friends Cat Care phone line from a woman who was trying to find homes for three cats.

She identified herself as a sister to the cats' owner who was in the hospital fighting for her life. She explained that her sister was caring for three cats that had belonged to her husband who had passed away a few years earlier. They included a Cornish Rex named Benny, a Devon Rex named Bella, and a long-haired domestic calico named Sophie. She had found my number on a 'Cat Stay Evaluation Form' that we had sent home when her cat stayed in the hotel seven years earlier. I was very interested in finding out more about these cats so I scheduled a home visit to meet the kitties.

During the home visit it quickly became apparent that the cats were in need of help. The owner was not well and had been spending most of her time caring for her elderly parents. Benny was very thin but eager for attention. Bella spent most of her day in a bedroom and had several patches of fur missing. Sophie was hiding and not available for viewing. I knew these cats were coming home with me. A quick discussion with my husband secured a home for Benny and a call to my 'cat-loving' sister gave Bella a new home and a foster home for Sophie. A few days later another friend expressed a desire for an older feline companion and soon became the proud parent of Sophie. *Continued on page 2*

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