



Choosing the Best Litter Box for Your Maine Coon Cat

As you prepare to bring your new **cuddly companion** home, you may be asking yourself what is the best litter box for my **Maine Coon Cat**? Will a regular sized litter box accommodate my Maine Coon once it reaches full size?

When selecting a litter box a regular sized box most likely will not be sufficient once they reach maturity. Choosing an extra-large litter box is usually the best option.

The XL Petmate Litterbox that can be found on Amazon may be a good option.



Storage Container?

Another option many Maine Coon owners choose is a Rubbermaid container with an access hole in the lid or side. The tutorial below may be helpful if you choose to make your own litter box. This is a more budget-friendly option and great if you like DIY projects!



Your **Maine Coon Cat** will have certain preferences. Some cats do not like having a lid on the top of their litter box. If you make an opening in the side of the container be sure that it is

placed high enough so that litter does not fall out when kicked around. If placing an opening in the top of the container make sure they can stick their head out to look around. Be sure the opening is wide enough so that they can walk in and out comfortably.

Stainless Steel Litter Boxes are another popular option for Maine Coon cats.



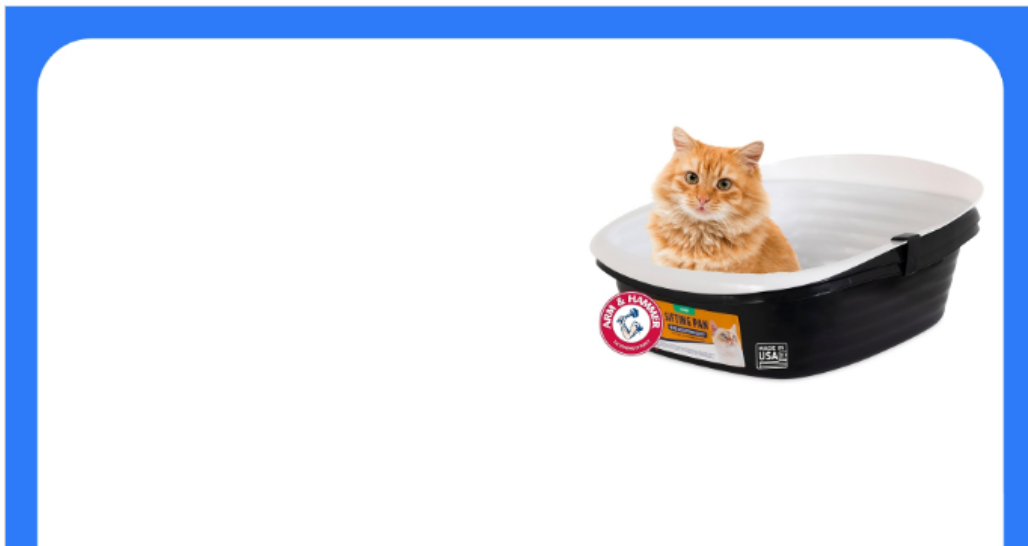
Stainless steel can be a great option! It is easy to clean and does not absorb odors or bacteria. Some people find the aesthetic look of stainless steel preferable as well.

Should your Maine Coon Kitten have an XL litter box?

When bringing home your new kitten it is best to start with the same litter box setup used by the breeder. Not only is it best to select the same size and type of litter box, but also use the same type of litter. This will help your kitten to transition more smoothly. As they become comfortable in their new home and begin to grow, you may choose to try out other options.

At Savvy Cats we recommend using pine pellets as a safer option for young kittens. Kittens are curious and tend to ingest some litter which could cause a blockage in their intestinal tract. We also recommend waiting until kittens are around 6-8 months old to transition to a clumping litter. When changing litter do so slowly, generally over a 2 week period.

We prefer the PetMate Arm & Hammer Sifting Cat Litter Pan for kittens.



How Often Should I Scoop?

Cats prefer clean spaces. Scooping daily is very important. It is quick and easy to scoop out the litter pan. Make this part of your daily routine and scoop once or twice a day to keep spaces tidy.

How Many Litter Boxes Should I Have?

Having one additional litter box to the number of cats in the household is recommended. If you have two cats, this would mean that three litter boxes is the recommendation. If you have a multi-level home, it may be a good idea to have a litter box on each floor. Just as you might not want to run up a flight of stairs to use the restroom, your cat will enjoy having the convenience of a litter box that is easily accessible. Be mindful, young kittens or geriatric cats may not be able to climb stairs and need their litter box placed appropriately.