



Hermitage Cats (Paperback)

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Unicorn Publishing Group, United Kingdom, 2015. Paperback. Book Condition: New. 210 x 195 mm. Language: English . Brand New Book. In ancient Egypt, cats were sacred animals, with the goddess Bastet often depicted in cat form, sometimes taking on the war-like aspect of a lioness. The Romans are often credited with introducing the domestic cat from Egypt to Europe. Several ancient religions believed cats are exalted souls, companions or guides for humans, that are all-knowing but mute so they cannot influence decisions made by humans. In Japan, the maneki neko cat is a symbol of good fortune. Their hidden talents and capabilities are spoken of in the secret language of symbols and allegories. It is aimed at everyone who has a soft spot for our four-legged friends and is inclined to think of the cat as much more than just a domestic animal .



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