

Gingy

By Rachel Shabi

my cat Gingy turned 10 years old in August. You may ask, "What's the big deal? So many cats manage to outlive this age." Gingy had a precarious start in life; he was starved shortly after birth, which affected his ability to develop a strong immune system.

I adopted him when he was a 6-month-old kitten. Symptoms of a weak immune system and blood impurities appeared a couple of months later. I thought that if he lived four or five years it would be a miracle. He is such a lovely, affectionate cat, and he totally captured my heart.

Instead of letting Gingy feed on commercial cat food, mice and other creatures found in abundance in rural Iowa where I lived, I fed him an alternative natural diet that I thought would enhance his health. It certainly helped. In spite of a few infections and a few cat fights, one of them quite severe, he managed to celebrate his seventh birthday in 1999.

The following May, Gingy was diagnosed with a tumor about the size and consistency of a walnut in his stomach. It was growing so fast that the veterinarians, who practice alternative medicine at the clinic I took him to in rural Iowa, advised me to rush him to a surgery as soon as possible.

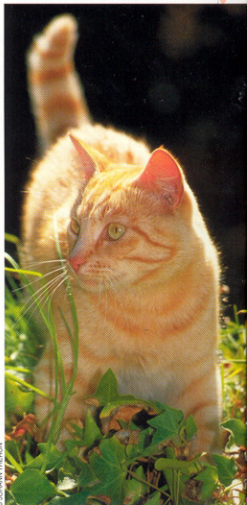
Gingy always had some redness above his eyes. At the time when his tumor was diagnosed, the veterinarian told me that the redness is a sign of very aggravated ear mites. Gingy had this condition when I adopted him

as a 6-month-old kitten in February 1993. Since then different vet clinics tried remedies to cure it, but nothing really worked. The bitter herbs I used to cure this condition had a little success.

I had to make a decision whether to allow Gingy to undergo the surgery. I didn't think the expensive surgery would solve the problem. I believe in alternative medicine and I felt that cutting the tumor would be a temporary solution, and it would be traumatic for a country cat that loves the outdoors. The surgery would require a 14-day confinement. I made the hard decision to let Gingy die naturally on my lap, and give him painkillers when the time comes.


I purchased a device to revitalize and energize water [www.granderwater.com] shortly after Gingy's diagnosis. I decided that the only different thing to try on him would be energized water. After 24 hours I noticed some change in the redness above his eyes, a sign that the ear mites got better. I thought that maybe it was my imagination. Another day passed and the redness lessened some more. At this point I felt that Gingy just might survive. To my amazement the tumor gradually shrunk, and within two weeks it totally disappeared. Currently Gingy is a happy and healthy cat living with me in Canada. I make sure he drinks some energized water everyday.

I needed to present a health certificate for the cat when I crossed the border from the United States. I went



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to another vet clinic for this purpose, and when the vet examined Gingy, he said immediately, "Oh, he is a very healthy cat." Needless to say, even the ear mites problem that plagued him for so many years was finally cured.

Although I wasn't sure Gingy would be able to celebrate his eighth birthday, we had the luck of celebrating his tenth birthday with more birthdays to come. 

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