

KIWI AT HOME



Kiwi Exploring The Neighborhood

Kiwi, aka the Keister, has been with us for nearly two months now and realizes she has a place she can call home. She has full run of the house and, while she is ever on the prowl (when she's awake) exploring places, she continues to find new places to investigate. Her home has a number of cat features, and she has checked out the kitty sofa and cat tunnel. She likes the sofa because it's just inside the French door on back of the house and attracts a lot of sun. Kiwi is definitely adept at finding the sunny spots. Kiwi and our other cat, Cisco, coexist just fine and we can leave them alone. But they haven't gotten close enough together yet to even get a picture.

As you know, Kiwi had hyperthyroidism when we brought her home and, while we were able to control it to a great extent with medication, it caused her a number of minor problems. Our vet, Dr. Thompson, highly recommended we consider Iodine-131 treatment for her. Not every cat is a good candidate for this type of treatment, and they had to evaluate her records at the Veterinary Imaging Center in the Stone Oak area. She was found to be a good candidate and we elected to have her receive the treatment. Dr. Voges administered the treatment on February 1, and everything went extremely well. She was there from Monday thru Friday until the radioactive level lowered to safe level. Dr. Voges fell in love with Kiwi and was very complimentary of her when we went to bring her home. She has already gained a much needed pound since her treatment, and appears to be very healthy. The nice thing is this treatment is a cure, not just a control treatment, so she should have no further thyroid problems.

Kiwi is a fairly predictable lady in that we generally know where to find her. She still likes some of her artifacts she brought home with her, such as her blanket which she spends a lot of time laying on upon the desk, and her little catnip pillows which she lays her head on and rolls around with on the floor. She likes to lie on the couch if one of us is there although she is not a lap cat. It seems like someone used to play rough with her as she likes to growl furiously while batting at your hands with her paws. We backed off the first couple of times, but now realize she is just playing and enjoys her part in the game which she often initiates. Kiwi is also the consummate beggar, and manages to show up any time there is food around. It's hard to imagine how she's kept her figure.



Kiwi Lying On Her Pillow

Kiwi misses all her friends at the Humane Society, but she wants to thank them for the kind treatment she received and for helping her find a loving home. She has turned out to be a great fit for us and we already love her to pieces. Kiwi wants us to keep you posted on how she's doing.