

Way Out Here Farm Kitten Care Sheet

1. Skin & Grooming Care (The Big Difference)

Because Sphynx cats don't have fur to absorb their natural body oils, those oils stay on their skin. Without regular grooming, they can get greasy, transfer spots to your furniture, and develop skin issues.

- **Bathing:** Bathe your kitten once every 1 to 2 weeks. Use a gentle, soap-free, organic kitten shampoo or a veterinarian-recommended oatmeal shampoo. We use Nut Vet Puppy & Kitten Shampoo. Use Code 21995 to order
- **The Wipe Down:** In between baths, use unscented, hypoallergenic baby wipes or a warm, damp washcloth to wipe down their folds and belly.
- **Ear Cleaning:** Sphynx cats produce a lot of dark, thick earwax. Clean their ears weekly using a vet-approved ear cleaner and a cotton ball (never stick Q-tips down the ear canal).
- **Nail Trimming & Cleaning:** Their nail beds collect a black, greasy buildup. Wipe their toes down weekly and clip their claws regularly.

⚠️ **Pro-Tip:** Always rinse all the soap off thoroughly during bath time. Leftover residue can trap bacteria in their skin folds and cause breakouts.

2. Temperature Control & Comfort

Your Sphynx is essentially a walking radiator. If you are cold, they are freezing.

- **Wardrobe:** Introduce sweaters early! Start with soft, stretchy fabrics so your kitten gets used to wearing clothes.
- **Cozy Spots:** Provide heated cat beds, thermal blankets, or igloo-style beds where they can trap their own body heat.
- **Sun Safety:** Sphynx cats love sunbeams, but they can get sunburned. Limit their time in direct, intense sunlight, or use pet-safe sunscreen if recommended by your vet. Keep them strictly indoors.
- **Protect Your Investment:** We recommend Microchipping your kitten and using an Airtag or Tractive collar to keep your new family member safe.

3. High-Octane Nutrition

Sphynx cats have an incredibly high metabolism because their bodies have to work overtime to stay warm.

- **Higher Calorie Needs:** They eat more than standard cats of the same size. Feed a premium, high-protein, high-fat kitten food.
- **Frequent Meals:** Kittens need to eat 3 to 4 times a day. Free-feeding high-quality dry kibble alongside scheduled wet food meals is often recommended.
- **Fresh Water:** Because they burn energy quickly and eat a lot, keep multiple water bowls or a pet fountain around to keep them hydrated.
- **We Feed Taste Of The Wild "Rocky Mountain"**

4. Litter Box & Cleanup

- **The "Sphynx Skids":** Because of their high-fat diets and fast metabolism, Sphynx kittens can sometimes have softer stools.
- **Litter Selection:** We use Tidy Cats Glade
- **Wiping Up:** Keep baby wipes near the litter box to give their bottom a quick wipe after a messy bathroom visit.

5. Veterinary Milestones

- **Vaccinations:** Stick to your vet's recommended schedule for core vaccines (FVRCP and Rabies) to build up their immune system.

- **Spay/Neuter:** Usually done around 4 to 6 months of age, depending on your vet's protocol and your breeder's contract.
- **Regular Checkups:** Annual wellness exams are vital to monitor their overall growth, dental health, and weight.