## **Our breeding objective**

Old Line breeding – the breeding of the original Maine Coon in its traditional look from purebred and unbred rare old bloodlines in the feral type

Our goal is to breed the true, original Maine Coon with their typical wild look (the feral and extreme feral type) and their impressive size. Their preservation in the original, traditional colours (corresponding to the standard) and without crossing with other breeds (e.g. point breeds shaded-Persian, Somali and blue eyed races and animals with the mutation of dominantly hereditary blue eyes (telecanthus, genetic defect) as well as mixed breeds of these.

We value old lines that are not drawn too closely and try to diversify the gene pool with rarer line combinations. We want to conserve, preserve and protect the valuable old bloodlines, which have now become very rare and have almost disappeared. This is the primary focus of our breeding. The health and impeccable nature of our cats is also a priority for us. We breed healthy, stable animals with the look of the impressive Maine Coon cats, as we know them from the 80s and 90s, with their breed-typical, good-natured, social and people-oriented character. Our cats are very typical, large and always friendly and cuddly towards visitors.

We don't do any experiments with the unknown or new color variants. For this reason, we only breed animals based on proven, old, American lines whose origins can be traced back to the very beginning of the breed in its founding period. Ticking and shaded markings are therefore not an option in our breeding. We do not breed with new foundation lines or animals with this background, nor with animals from the Marala Cattery (USA) or their offspring. Breeding with the widespread lines from the large fashion breeders is also not part of our goal. We strictly reject overbred show lines with unnaturally long and close-set rabbit ears that are not typical of the breed (not according to the standard). We also do not breed with Russian imports or animals with this background. All of our cats are vaccinated against cat flu, feline disease and leukosis and are regularly scanned for HCM, have HD x-rays, are genetically tested for SMA, PK, PKD and HCM, as well as tested negative for the color variant Siamese Point (or come from parents who tested negative) in order to rule out cross-breeding of this type. We do not breed with point carriers, nor with blue-eyed Russian-Topaz hybrids (mixed breeds) and not with animals with dominantly hereditary blue eyes (genetic defect - telecanthus); because this is an absolute no-go!!!

Our stated goal is to breed animals with a healthy and low inbreed. But in order to preserve valuable old lines, it is still necessary to work with a higher inbreed, to handle it responsibly and to reduce it back to a healthy and low level through appropriately selected and suitable line combinations and matings. This is breeding and breeding work. Breeding is responsibility and never easy!

The Maine Coon is a natural breed and a pure conservation breed! The Maine Coon does not have to adapt to sales-promoting fashion trends - the Maine Coon has to be real and only the original is real!

We take great care to preserve the valuable old lines and the very high quality of our breeding.