

Grass and Catnip/Catmint

Cat Grass:

- Helps cats bring up furballs and adds roughage
- Buy in pots, ready to grow indoors or sow seeds and grow them yourself
- Do not use chemicals or fertilisers when growing cat grass
- Germinates quickly (within two days) and grows to about 6"/15cm within 5 days
- Very easy to grow and care for
- Lasts between 2–3 weeks, then starts to wither and turn yellow
- When it reaches 2"/5cm start sowing seeds in the next pot
- Can be grown indoors at home, or for the cattery
- DO NOT use grass from your lawn, it may well have contaminants, fertiliser or pesticide residues



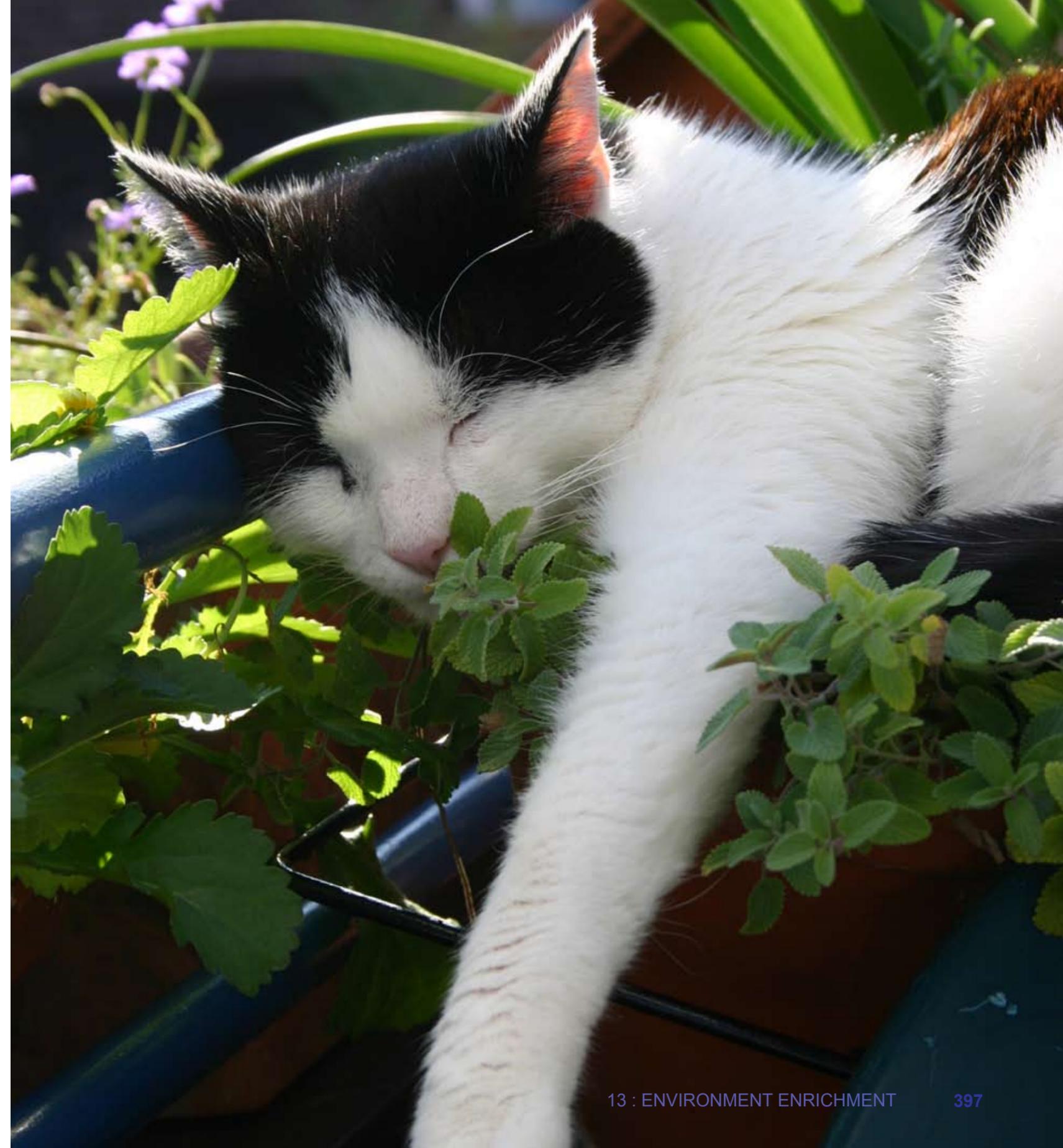
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CATNIP/CATMINT
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Catnip/Catmint

- Harmless, non-addictive perennial herb from the mint family
- Buy from garden centres or sow direct from seed
- Plant in the garden in full sun for a constant source of fresh catnip
- Dry for use in toys, or purchase dried catnip
- Do not use chemicals or fertilisers when growing catnip
- Affects 80% of cats (both male and female) young or elderly cats may not show a response.
- Catnip entices the cat to roll around on it and induces a 'high' in cats (but not all, and it can make some cats aggressive)
- Cats may sniff, play with or even eat catnip
- Only a little is required
- Hide catnip toys in various places
- Buy, or grow and dry catnip for replacing toy scent
- Use sparingly – do not leave catnip scented items out all the time or they will lose their novelty factor
- Can be used as therapy for depressed cats



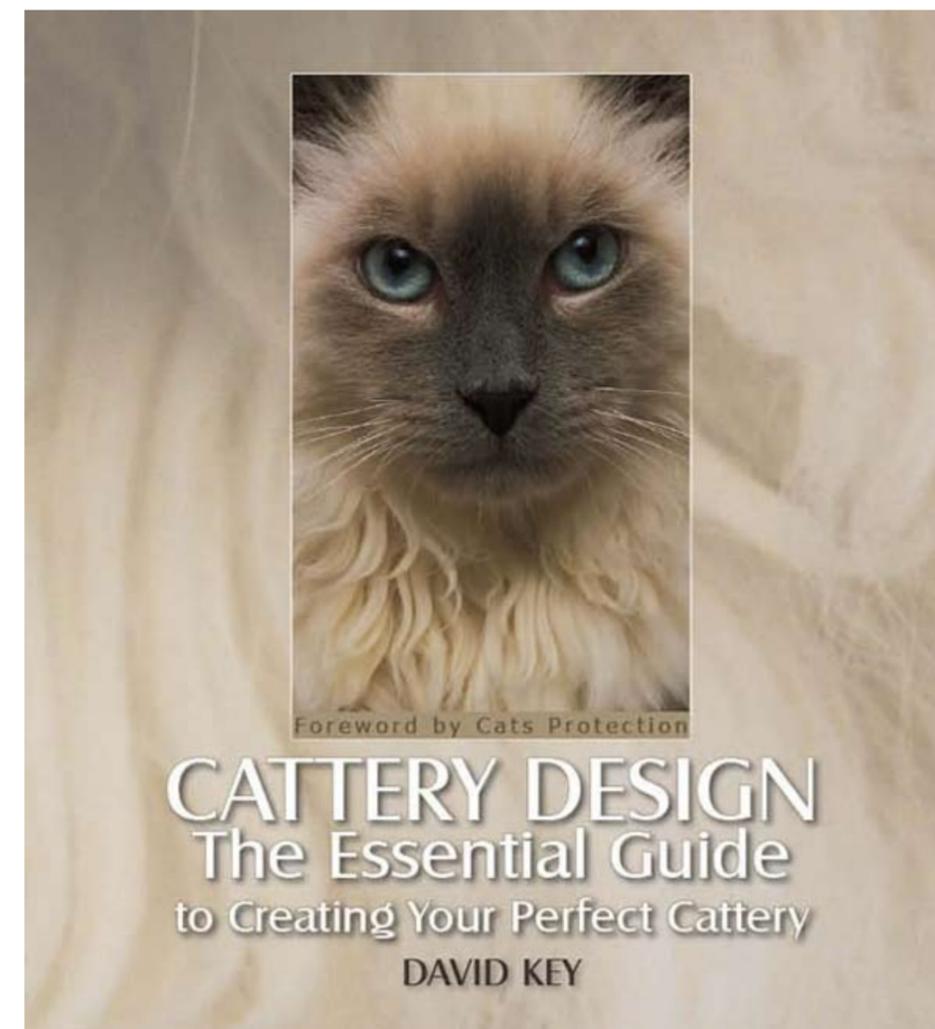
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