

Izzy. The kitten we didn't know we needed. Have you ever wondered at what point you topple over into the realm of "crazy cat lady"? We have...

Our desire to add a four-legged creature back into our lives after the 2017 death of our beloved Siberian Husky, Moki, lone survivor after the passing of her three feline siblings, brought us to the online doors of Black Thai Cattery. One of our feline family had been a Siamese rescue cat named Caliope and we wanted another of her breed to become a longed for (and guaranteed by nature of her heritage) "lap cat" who loved her humans.

Our search for one kitten became two because of Black Thai's excellent requirement that each of their charges must be placed in a home with a furry companion. We purchased our place on the waiting list for two kittens, with one female seal point preferred. And waited...

Several months later we received a call from Tom inquiring if we'd be interested in two male kittens, one of whom was a seal. After dealing with our fears of spraying and man splaying and other alpha behavior that two boys might bring to our household, we signed on to become their parents with both trepidation and glee. When we heard from Tom that there was another male in the litter who was being placed elsewhere, we even joked that if we'd known earlier, we would have claimed him too and have our own "Tom, Dick and Harry".

Well, one day later we received a call from Tom informing us that the aforementioned third kitten was now available and asking if we wanted him too. Uh oh. Time to see if we really meant what our joke had implied...Yes! We will take him!

In that moment, we became the proud parents of **three**. Our family was surely complete. Right? Not quite. It came to our attention that, due to certain and varied circumstances, a female seal point had not yet been placed with a family. We had been having fun hosting some field trips for Black Thai kittens and one of these field trips included a litter of four female seals. Again, the joke...are one of these kittens available for us to adopt? We did not expect an affirmative answer. But again, we would have to test our joking mettle. We actually said no, four cats are just too much. That would indeed be crazy! Wouldn't it...? Wouldn't it...?

But we just couldn't get the thought of bringing a little sister into our household out of our heads. And, most amazingly, this kitten had the same mother and the same father as our boys. They would truly be siblings by biology as well! Well, one field trip later and some secret dealings between Tom and my better half, the Black Thai kittens returned to their home after a field trip with one left behind...

Meet Isadora. AKA Izzy. The cat we didn't know we needed. But she has made our family complete. She is a little spit fire with a squeaky voice that demands to be heard. She chases the boys and keeps them on their paws but looks up to them for inspiration and love. They say a picture is worth a thousand words. Need I say more?



Behind the blue eyes
the slightly faint meow says
just one of the boys.

They're our vocal group,
Baritone, bass and tenor,
she's the piccolo.