Cat Carrier Buyer's Guide

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Your cat's travel safety relies on a quality pet carrier. Whether for quick jaunts to the veterinarian or expeditions around the world, your pet carrier needs to offer comfort, safety, and security. This helps reduce stress levels and protect your cat while she's on unfamiliar grounds.

Many cat carrier styles are available. Choose one based on the following criteria:

Size

Large enough for your cat to turn freely, stand, and lay down inside, with ample space for food and/or water dishes. For longer trips, it should also accommodate a small litter box.

Construction

Sturdy with doors that securely latch or zipper is best. A water-resistant bottom with an absorbent pad inside helps contain any accidents and cushion your pet's ride, so a removable fleece liner for extra comfort is a plus.

Ventilation

The most important feature of any carrier, designed for any distance of travel. Choose a carrier with at least three sides of ventilation.

Features

Zippered pockets, leash clips, and carry straps make for convenient travel.

If you are traveling by airplane, consult your airline for their specific size, ventilation, strength, sanitation, and design requirements.

OUR RECOMMENDATIONS

The stylish Original Deluxe Sherpa Soft-Sided

Airline-compliant Compass Kennels offer 360-degree

The Dura-Ruff® Folding Pet Den is the

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Carrier features thick quilted nylon construction for comfort, durability, and security to keep your kitty safe while on the road. ventilation and visibility enhance your pet's travel experience. ultimate in lightweight portability!

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