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Sacred Birman (SBI)

Body
The medium sized cat has a solid bone structure with well developed musculature.
The body is medium heavy and slightly elongated.
The legs are of medium length, the paws are broad and gently rounded.

Tail
The tail is of medium length, with elegant shape and furnished plume-like.

Head
The head forms a blunt triangle with rounded contours. The cheek bones are high, the cheeks well rounded and the forehead slightly arched. The profile is slightly curved with a Roman nose of medium length and a pronounced chin.

Ears
The ears are medium sized, about as high as broad at the base, with slightly rounded tips and good width between the ears.

Eyes
The eyes are deep blue, slightly oval and not quite round. They are set wide apart.
The more intense the blue, the better.

Coat
Long to medium long coat with a silky texture and little undercoat. The coat is short on the face, but becomes longer on the cheeks and turns into a full frill on the chest. It is long on the back and on the flanks.

Colour varieties
The Sacred Birman is a pointed cat with Siamese points and recognized in all pointed colours.
Golden colour varieties are not allowed.
With the exception for the colour of the body, which is very light in Birman cats, the back displays a golden beige. The belly is completely white.
The description of colours is listed below in the general list of colours

The special features of the Birman cat are the white "gloves" and "gauntlets".
The white markings on all four paws are called gloves. In particular evenness and symmetry of the gloves are essential; both between the front paws and the hind paws. The white is absolutely pure; it may end at the carpus or at the joint. It is not permitted to extend to the legs. Slightly longer gloves on the hind paws are tolerated. The white plantar markings on the hind paws, which end in a point, are called gauntlets. They shall be even on both soles and shall end, if possible, in the centre of the metatarsal bones.

Paw peds
The paw pads may be also pink or correspond to the colour of the points

Severe faults
- Gloves, which extend beyond their normal shape (runner)
- Too short gloves
- Patches on the belly (patches in the colour of the points on the under parts of the body)
- The overall appearance is not permitted to show any similarity with the Persian cat, it may also not go to the other extreme to resemble a Siamese cat.

Faults excluding the CACIB and higher

- Absence of a point at the gauntlets

Disqualification

- White patches outside of the gloves and gauntlets
- Partial pigmentation of the nose leather
- Any tendency to squint

Remark
Slight patches and stripes on the flanks may be tolerated.

Permitted outcrosses
none

Scale of points

Body	20 points
Tail	10 points
Head and eyes	20 points
Coat texture	10 points
Colour of the body and points	15 points
front gloves	5 points
hind gloves	5 points
hind gauntlets	5 points
evenness	5 points
Condition	5 points

Recognized colours with WCF EMS Code

- **Colourpoint varieties**

Partially albino. Body colour (back and belly) are coloured with glacial white to ivory in the various colour varieties. There is a clear contrast between the body colour and the colour of the points. Points are the evenly coloured ears, legs, tail, face (and the testicles in males). The mask in the shape of a rhombus covers the face completely, including the whisker pads and the chin and is connected with the ears through traces of colour.
Remark:
Darker shading of the body colour and so called patched on the flanks are tolerated in older cats. The coloured spots in the point colour or on the underside of the body (belly spots) are not tolerated.

Seal Point (n 33)
Body color: beige
Point color: seal
Nose leather: seal
Paw pads: seal

Blue Point (a 33)
Body color: glacial white
Point color: all colour shades of blue are permitted, light blue is preferred
Nose leather: blue-grey
Paw pads: blue grey

Chocolate Point (b 33)
Body color: ivory
Point color: milk-chocolate-brown
Nose leather: milk-chocolate-brown
Paw pads: milk-chocolate-brown

Lilac Point (c 33)
Body color: off-white
Point color: glacial grey with a slight pink tinge
Nose leather: lavender-pink
Paw pads: lavender-pink

Cinnamon Point (o 33)
Body color: light ivory
Point color: cinnamon
Nose leather: cinnamon
Paw pads: cinnamon

Fawn Point (p 33)
Body color: light cream-white
Point color: beige
Nose leather: light pink
Paw pads: light pink

Red Point (d 33)
Body color: off-white to cream
Point color: deep dark, warm red to orange
Nose leather: dark pink
Paw pads: dark pink

Cream Point (e 33)
Body color: cream-white
Point color: pure pastel cream (no hot shading)
Nose leather: pink
Paw pads: pink

- **Tortie Point varieties**

Seal Tortie Point (f 33)
Body color: beige
Point color: seal and red
Nose leather: in the black areas seal, in the red areas red
Paw pads: in the black areas seal, in the red areas red

Blue Tortie Point (g 33)
Body color: glacial white
Point color: blue-grey and pastel cream
Nose leather: in the blue areas blue-grey, in the cream areas pink
Paw pads: in the blue areas blue-grey, in the cream areas pink

Chocolate Tortie Point (h 33)
Body color: light beige
Point color: milk-chocolate-brown and diluted red
Nose leather: in the brown areas milk-chocolate, in the red areas pink
Paw pads: in the brown areas milk-chocolate, in the red areas pink

Lilac Tortie Point (j 33)
Body color: off-white
Point color: glacial grey and light cream
Nose leather: in the lilac areas lavender-pink, in the cream areas pink
Paw pads: in the lilac areas lavender-pink, in the cream areas pink

Cinnamon Tortie Point (q 33)
Body color: light ivory
Point color: light brown to cinnamon-brown and cream
Nose leather: in the brown areas cinnamon, in the cream areas light pink
Paw pads: in the brown areas cinnamon, in the cream areas light pink

Fawn Tortie Point (r 33)
Body color: light cream-white
Point color: beige and light cream
Nose leather: in the beige areas light pink, in the cream areas pink
Paw pads: in the beige areas light pink, in the cream areas pink

- **Tabbypoint varieties**

The mask must show a clear pattern, especially around the eyes and nose and clearly striped cheeks. Ears are with thumbprint. On the legs there are striped of different lengths, soles on the hind paws are solid in color. The evenly ringed tail ends in a solid colored tip. Tabby pattern cannot be determined.

Seal Tabby Point (n 21 33)
Body color: beige
Point color: seal
Nose leather: brick-red seal rimmed
Paw pads: seal
Eye color: blue, the intense the better
Eye rims: seal

Blue Tabby Point (a 21 33)
Body color: glacial white
Point color: blue
Nose leather: old-rose blue rimmed
Paw pads: blue grey
Eye color: blue, the intense the better
Eye rims: blue

Chocolate Tabby Point (b 21 33)
Body color: ivory
Point color: milk-chocolate-brown
Nose leather: old-rose milk-chocolate rimmed
Paw pads: milk-chocolate
Eye color: blue, the intense the better
Eye rims: milk-chocolate

Lilac Tabby Point (c 21 33)
Body color: off-white
Point color: glacial grey with a slight pink tinge
Nose leather: pink lavender-pink rimmed
Paw pads: lavender-pink
Eye color: blue, the intense the better
Eye rims: lavender-pink

Cinnamon Tabby Point (o 21 33)
Body color: light ivory
Point color: cinnamon
Nose leather: old-rose cinnamon rimmed
Paw pads: cinnamon
Eye color: blue, the intense the better
Eye rims: cinnamon

Fawn Tabby Point (p 21 33)
Body color: light cream-white
Point color: beige
Nose leather: pale pink light pink rimmed
Paw pads: light pink
Eye color: blue, the intense the better
Eye rims: light pink

Red Tabby Point (d 21 33)
Body color: off-white to cream
Point color: deep, dark, warm red to orange
Nose leather: pink dark red rimmed
Paw pads: dark pink
Eye color: blue, the intense the better
Eye rims: dark pink

Cream Tabby Point (e 21 33)
Body color: cream-white
Point color: pure pastel cream (no hot shading)
Nose leather: pink dark pink rimmed
Paw pads: pink
Eye color: blue, the intense the better
Eye rims: dark pin

- **Tortie Tabbypoint varieties**

Seal Tortie Tabby Point (f 21 33)
Body color: beige
Point color: seal and red
Nose leather: brick red, in the black areas seal, in the red areas pink rimmed
Paw pads: in the black areas seal, in the red areas red
Eye color: blue, the intense the better
Eye rims: in the black areas seal, in the red areas red

Blue Tortie Tabby Point (g 21 33)
Body color: glacial white
Point color: blue-grey and pastel cream
Nose leather: old rose, in the blue areas blue-grey, in the cream areas pink rimmed
Paw pads: in the blue areas blue-grey, in the cream areas pink
Eye color: blue, the intense the better
Eye rims: in the blue areas blue-grey, in the cream areas pink

Chocolate Tortie Tabby Point (h 21 33)
Body color: light beige
Point color: milk-chocolate-brown and diluted red
Nose leather: old rise, in the brown areas milk-chocolate, in the red areas pink rimmed
Paw pads: in the brown areas milk-chocolate, in the red areas pink
Eye color: blue, the intense the better
Eye rims: in the brown areas milk-chocolate, in the red areas pink

Lilac Tortie Tabby Point (j 21 33)
Body color: off-white
Point color: glacial grey and light cream
Nose leather: old-rose, in the lilac areas lavender-pink, in the cream areas pink rimmed
Paw pads: in the lilac areas lavender-pink, in the cream areas pink
Eye color: blue, the intense the better
Eye rims: in the lilac areas lavender-pink, in the cream areas pink

Cinnamon Tortie Tabby Point (q 21 33)
Body color: light ivory
Point color: light brown to cinnamon-brown and cream
Nose leather: old-rose, in the brown areas cinnamon, in the cream areas light pink rimmed
Paw pads: in the brown areas cinnamon, in the cream areas pink
Eye color: blue, the intense the better
Eye rims: in the brown areas cinnamon, in the cream areas pink

Fawn Tortie Tabby Point (r 21 33)
Body color: light cream-white
Point color: beige and light cream
Nose leather: pale pink, in the beige areas light pink, in the cream areas pink rimmed
Paw pads: in the beige areas light pink, in the cream areas pink
Eye color: blue, the intense the better
Eye rims: in the beige areas light pink, in the cream areas pink

Colourpoint varieties with silver

Smoke:

Partially albino. In the various colour variations, three-quarters of the body colour (back and belly) ranges from snowwhite to ivory. Only the base is one-third silverwhite. There is a distinct contrast between the body colour and the colour of the points.

Points are the uniformly coloured ears with a silverwhite rim, as well as the legs, tail, face (and, in male cats, the testicles). The diamond-shaped mask completely covers the face, including the whisker pads and the chin, and is connected to the ears by streaks of colour. The smoke component in the points is only recognisable by a silverwhite sheen. The base appears silverwhite. The innerside of the tail appears silverwhite

Note: Darker shades of the body colour and so-called patches on the flanks are tolerated in older cats. Colour patches in the point colour or on the underside of the body (belly patches) are not tolerated.

Seal Smoke Point (ns 33)

Coat color: root 1/3 silverwhite , ¾ beigePoint color: seal, with a silverwhite sheen
Nose leather: seal
Paw pads: seal
Eye color: blue, the intense the better

Blue Smoke Point (as 33)

Coat color: toot 1/3 silverwhite, ¾ glacial white
Point color: all colour shades of blue are permitted, light blue is preferred, with a silverwhite sheen
Nose leather: blue-grey
Paw pads: blue grey
Eye color: blue, the intense the better

Chocolate Smoke Point (bs 33)

Coat color: root 1/3 silverwhite ¾ ivory
Point color: milk-chocolate-brown, with a silverwhite sheen
Nose leather: milk-chocolate-brown
Paw pads: milk-chocolate-brown
Eye color: blue, the intense the better

Lilac Smoke Point (cs 33)

Coat color: toot 1/3 silverwhite, ¾ off-white
Point color: glacial grey with a slight pink tinge, with a silverwhite sheen
Nose leather: lavender-pink
Paw pads: lavender-pink
Eye color: blue, the intense the better

Cinnamon Smoke Point (os 33)

Coat color: toot 1/3 silverwhite, ¾ light ivory
Point color: cinnamon, with a silverwhite sheen
Nose leather: cinnamon
Paw pads: cinnamon
Eye color: blue, the intense the better

Fawn Smoke Point (ps 33)

Coat color: root 1/3 silverwhite, ¾ light cream-whitePoint color: beige, with a silverwhite sheen
Nose leather: light pink
Paw pads: light pink
Eye color: blue, the intense the better

Red Smoke Point (ds 33)
Coat color: root 1/3 silverwhite, ¾ off-white to cream
Point color: deep dark, warm red to orange, with a silverwhite sheen
Nose leather: dark pink
Paw pads: dark pink
Eye color: blue, the intense the better

Cream Smoke Point (es 33)
Coat color: root 1/3 silverwhite, ¾ cream-whitePoint color: pure pastel cream (no hot shading), with a silverwhite sheen
Nose leather: pink
Paw pads: pink
Eye color: blue, the intense the better

Tortiepoint smoke varieties

Seal Tortie Smoke Point (fs 33)
Coat color: roots 1/3 silverwhite, ¾ beige
Point color: seal and red, with a silverwhite sheen
Nose leather: in the black areas seal, in the red areas red
Paw pads: in the black areas seal, in the red areas red
Eye color: blue, the intense the better

Blue Tortie Smoke Point (gs 33)
Coat color: root 1/3 silverwhite, ¾ glacial white
Point color: blue-grey and pastel cream
Nose leather: in the blue areas blue-grey, in the cream areas pink, with a silverwhite sheen
Paw pads: in the blue areas blue-grey, in the cream areas pink
Eye color: blue, the intense the better

Chocolate Tortie Smoke Point (hs 33)
Coat color: root 1/3 silverwhite, ¾ light beige
Point color: milk-chocolate-brown and diluted red, with a silverwhite sheen
Nose leather: in the brown areas milk-chocolate, in the red areas pink
Paw pads: in the brown areas milk-chocolate, in the red areas pink
Eye color: blue, the intense the better

Lilac Tortie Smoke Point (js 33)
Coat color: root 1/3 silverwhite, ¾ off-white
Point color: glacial grey and light cream, with a silverwhite sheen
Nose leather: in the lilac areas lavender-pink, in the cream areas pink
Paw pads: in the lilac areas lavender-pink, in the cream areas pink
Eye color: blue, the intense the better

Cinnamon Tortie Smoke Point (qs 33)
Coat color: root 1/3 silverwhite, ¾ light ivory
Point color: light brown to cinnamon-brown and cream, with a silverwhite sheen
Nose leather: in the brown areas cinnamon, in the cream areas light pink
Paw pads: in the brown areas cinnamon, in the cream areas light pink
Eye color: blue, the intense the better

Fawn Tortie Smoke Point (rs 33)
Coat color: root 1/3 silverwhite, ¾ light cream-white
Point color: beige and light cream, with a silverwhite sheen
Nose leather: in the beige areas light pink, in the cream areas pink
Paw pads: in the beige areas light pink, in the cream areas pink
Eye color: blue, the intense the better

Silver Tabby Point varieties
The mask must have a distinct pattern, particularly around the eyes and nose, as well as clearly striped cheeks with contrast silver colouring. The ears bear a 'thumbprint' and the edges of the ears are outlined in silver-white. The tufts of hair in the ears are silver-white. Stripes of varying lengths are visible on the legs, interspersed with silver-white fur; the soles of the hind paws are solid-coloured. The ringed tail ends in a solid-coloured tip; the underside of the tail is silver-white. No distinct tabby pattern is visible.

Seal Silver Tabby Point (ns 21 33)
Coat color: beige, covered with silverwhite fur
Point color: seal, threaded with silverwhite
Nose leather: brick-red seal rimmed
Paw pads: seal
Eye color: blue, the intense the better
Eye rims: seal

Blue Silver Tabby Point (as 21 33)
Coat color: glacial white, covered with silverwhite fur
Point color: blue, threaded with silverwhite
Nose leather: old-rose blue rimmed
Paw pads: blue grey
Eye color: blue, the intense the better
Eye rims: blue

Chocolate Silver Tabby Point (bs 21 33)
Coat color: ivory, covered with silverwhite fur
Point color: milk-chocolate-brown, threaded with silverwhite
Nose leather: old-rose milk-chocolate rimmed
Paw pads: milk-chocolate
Eye color: blue, the intense the better
Eye rims: milk-chocolate

Lilac Tabby Point (cs 21 33)
Coat color: off-white, covered with silverwhite fur
Point color: glacial grey with a slight pink tinge, threaded with silverwhite
Nose leather: pink lavender-pink rimmed
Paw pads: lavender-pink
Eye color: blue, the intense the better
Eye rims: lavender-pink

Cinnamon Silver Tabby Point (os 21 33)
Coat color: light ivory, covered with silverwhite fur
Point color: cinnamon, threaded with silverwhite
Nose leather: old-rose cinnamon rimmed

Paw pads: cinnamon
Eye color: blue, the intense the better
Eye rims: cinnamon

Fawn Silver Tabby Point (p 21 33)
Coat color: light creamwhite, covered with silverwhite fur
Point color: beige, threaded with silverwhite
Nose leather: pale pink light pink rimmed
Paw pads: light pink
Eye color: blue, the intense the better
Eye rims: light pink

Red Silver Tabby Point (d 21 33)
Coat color: off-white to cream, covered with silverwhite fur
Point color: deep, dark, warm red to orange, threaded with silverwhite
Nose leather: pink dark red rimmed
Paw pads: dark pink
Eye color: blue, the intense the better
Eye rims: dark pink

Cream Silver Tabby Point (e 21 33)
Coat color: cream-white, covered with silverwhite fur
Point color: pure pastel cream (no hot shading), threaded with silverwhite
Nose leather: pink dark pink rimmed
Paw pads: pink
Eye color: blue, the intense the better
Eye rims: dark pink