Osteoarthritis in your senior cat

Do you know the signs?

Just like people, cats commonly develop osteoarthritis as they age. It's best to catch the signs of this painful disease early so you can alleviate any suffering and get them back to their spry selves. If you note any of these signs in your cat, be sure to make an appointment with your veterinarian:

- Decreased grooming
- Reluctance to jump
- · Inability to jump as high as before
- · Urinating or soiling outside the litter box
- Increased or decreased sleep
- Avoiding human interaction
- Hiding



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