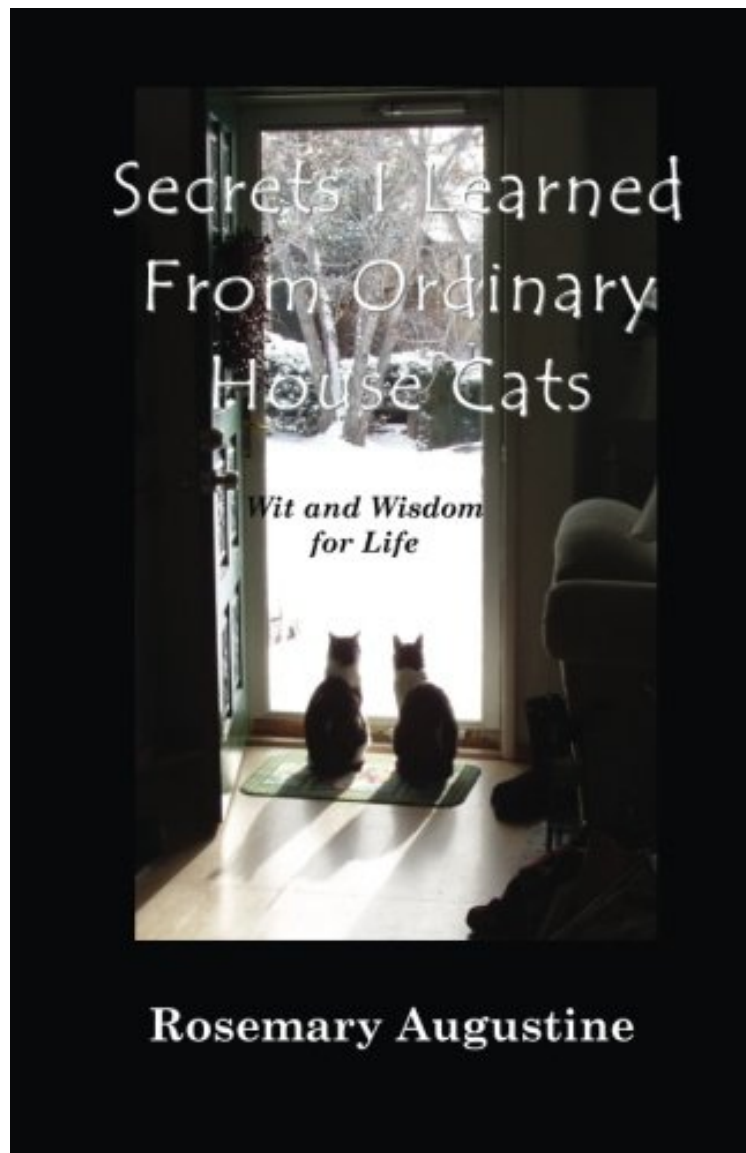


# Secrets I Learned From Ordinary House Cats: Wit and Wisdom for Life

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**Rosemary Augustine : Secrets I Learned From Ordinary House Cats: Wit and Wisdom for Life** before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Secrets I Learned From Ordinary House Cats: Wit and Wisdom for Life:

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bennettThis little book struck me immediately as a great gift for any cat lover--including yourself. Ms. Augustine is obviously sensitive to the ways in which her two cats, Ziggy and Zack, tend view the world and how that can provide some perspective on our own, more human way of looking at things. Composed of roughly seventy pages of free verse (or brief prose poems, if you prefer), "Secrets" looks through feline eyes at such human concerns as competition, uncertainty, flexibility, sharing, and humor, among others. A good example of how this translates into "wisdom for life" is this smooth transition in perspective from the feline to the human in the section titled, "Listen for Predators": "During log hot summer daze.../ listen intently for negative sounds.../ And deflect them with my positive shield of peace.../ Predators are dangerous/ For they feed on negativity,/ And want to draw me into their dark world./ As I listen for predators.../ I am strong with the light... and the power/ of positive words." The book is chock-full of such inspirational and thought-provoking passages that should mesh particularly well with the temperament of the average "cat person." I can easily imagine the delight on the face of a cat lover when he or she opens a small gift on her birthday, Christmas, or other such occasion and finds this slim volume that speaks so well to the soul of anyone who adores the furry little critters. And don't forget to treat yourself to a copy, as well.0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Five StarsBy Richard Thomasonenjoyed reading.0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Five StarsBy CJGreat book by a real true-blue cat lover!

Six kittens were born to a feral momma somewhere near Berwyn, PA in the spring of 2005. Not long after the momma moved her six kittens to a safer location, she was found dead in the road leaving behind her 5-week old kittens. Fast forward to a rescue by a local vet technician and a pet sitter introduction to their human companion, and within an hour, the author returns home with two male kittens a grey striped tabby and a black and white tuxedo later that night to be named Ziggy and Zack. Secrets I Learned From Ordinary House Cats showcases two rescued brothers, Ziggy and Zack, with their quick verses often poetic, sometimes serious and then outrageously funny, demonstrating talents that translate into valuable life skills for humans, sharing their wit and wisdom for life. According to the author, I looked at life from a very different perspective while watching ordinary kittens change into adult cats. It took my breath away, and in the end, I decided to reveal their secrets. Ziggy, one of the featured cats in the book, has his own website: ThankGodImaFeline.com and his own Facebook page. Like Ziggy on Facebook at "Ziggy's Secrets".

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