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Introducing

Miss Petitfour



Very soon you will be meeting Miss Petitfour,
and so, just to be sure you'll recognise her,
this is what she looks like.



. . . and her Cats



Minky, the littlest cat, looks as if she stepped in snow when she was a kitten and the snow never melted. She is all black except for her white paws and the spots on her head and tail, where the snow didn't melt either.



Misty is the colour of rain on a window.



Taffy is the colour of toast and butter.



Purrsia is silver, long-haired and likes to nap on magazines.



Pirate looks as if he just rubbed the sleep from his eyes and left behind two little smudges of orange. Elsewhere, he has patches of black and white.



Mustard is the yellow of . . . mustard, and he has a grey moustache.



Moutarde is the yellow of . . . Dijon mustard, and he wears a beret.



Hemdela is black with a white shirt front. She likes soup.

Earring is a Siamese
who loves shiny things.





Grigorovitch is chocolate-brown, and the tip of his tail looks like it has been tasting vanilla icing off the top of a cake (which tells you something about him).

Clasby wears a bobble hat knitted for him for his fifth birthday. He loves to draw and paint.





Of all the captains, Captain Captain is the oldest and wisest. He has many stories to tell from the days when he was a ship's cat. He is a blue-grey British shorthair with a lovely round, bearded face. Sometimes he wears his captain's hat.



Captain Captain's son, Captain Catkin, is a bit mischievous and is grey and white like a winter sea.





Captain Clothespin is Captain Captain's daughter and Captain Catkin's sister. She loves to dance and is silver and white like a skating rink in moonlight.

Your Shyness believes she is descended from royalty. She wears a lace collar and has silky fur, bright as a gold coin.



Sizzles is a ginger cat. He is little but very long.