

The cats can have long or short hair. Their **coats** are smooth and **silky**.



Some think Japanese bobbys bring good luck. People often place statues of them in their homes.

History of Japanese Bobtails

The first Japanese bobtails lived in Japan. **Centuries** of stories and art made them famous there.



These **mousers** kept rats away from scrolls in **temples**. They also protected silkworms in barns.



In 1968, Elizabeth Freret brought the **breed** to the United States. People loved its unusual appearance.

Today, people around the world own Japanese bobtails.

