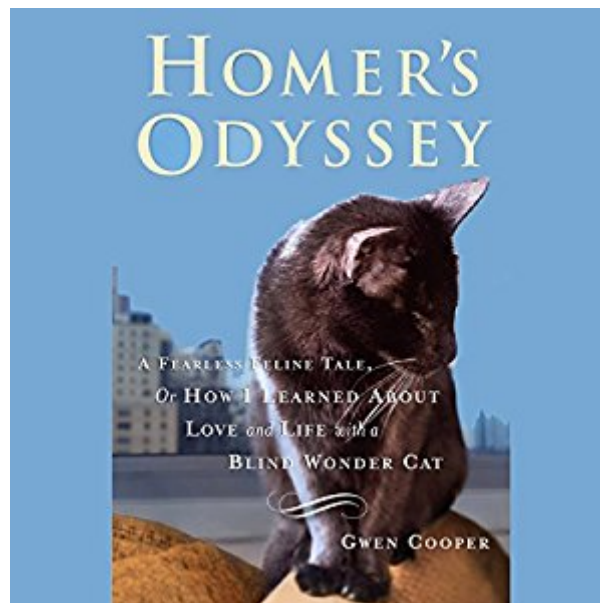




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Homer's Odyssey: A Fearless Feline Tale, Or How I Learned About Love And Life With A Blind Wonder



Synopsis

ONCE IN NINE LIVES, SOMETHING EXTRAORDINARY HAPPENS. The last thing Gwen Cooper wanted was another cat. She already had two, not to mention a phenomenally underpaying job and a recently broken heart. Then Gwen's veterinarian called with a story about a three-week-old eyeless kitten who'd been abandoned. It was love at first sight. Everyone warned that Homer would always be an "underachiever." But the kitten nobody believed in quickly grew into a three-pound dynamo with a giant heart who eagerly made friends with every human who crossed his path. Homer scaled seven-foot bookcases with ease, survived being trapped alone for days after 9/11 in an apartment near the World Trade Center, and even saved Gwen's life when he chased off an intruder who broke into their home in the middle of the night. But it was Homer's unswerving loyalty, his infinite capacity for love, and his joy in the face of all obstacles that transformed Gwen's life. And by the time she met the man she would marry, she realized that Homer had taught her the most valuable lesson of all: Love isn't something you see with your eyes. --This text refers to the Paperback edition.

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Customer Reviews

Read from April 01 to 06, 2015OMG! I am in love with Homer! This cat Gwen rescued from her vet is the most touching stories I have read in a while. He was brought in by some people at around 3 weeks with messed up eyes. They said they found him and wanted him euthanized. Well the vet wasn't having any of that, she removed his eyes and when no one wanted him, her last resort was

to ask Gwen who already had two cats and couldn't afford another one at the time. She couldn't help herself and took him! The stories about Homer learning the lay of his land in the house is amazing! He just had a strong will to live and discover things. You just have to read the book to get the full effect! I have to say my favorite part of the book is with the burglar. I laughed so hard I thought I was going to crack a rib! Who ever heard of a blind attack cat! Well that burglar was stunned to say the least. I can not believe how funny that scene was, I would like to write it out here but I will save it so you can buy the book :) I am going to add a SPOILER!!!!!! IT'S A PART FROM THE BEGINNING OF THE BOOK!!! **SPOILER*** TAKEN FROM THE BOOK* When I walked in with my date, Homer ran to greet me at the door. And there, hanging from his mouth, was a tampon. The whiteness of it stood out against his black fur in vivid, mortifying relief. He scampered around in gleeful triumph for a moment, then promptly ran over and sat expectantly on his haunches in front of me, tampon clutched in between his jaws like a dog with a rawhide bone. My date looked taken aback, to say the least, "What the....is that a.." He stammered for a moment, before finally managing, "Did something happen to your cat?" I hunkered down on my heels, and Homer happily climbed into my lap, dropping the purloined tampon at my feet. "He's fine," I answered. "He doesn't have any eyes, is all." *END* I thought that summed up Homer to a capital T! I recommend this book to one and all, it's a very inspirational story about a cat that beat the odds! Find my Reviews at: www.melissa413readsalot.blogspot.com <https://www.goodreads.com/review/show/1243096074>

One of the best books I have ever read! I highly recommend it to anyone. Not just cat lovers, or pet owners. I enjoyed it so much, I searched for and bought Gwen Cooper's other books as well. Homer's Odyssey is a great book. His story is inspirational. In fact, I have since adopted a blind cat that lost her eyes due to head trauma on the streets of Thailand. She was older than Homer so she still remembers having sight and isn't quite as fearless as he was. But she is an amazing cat and I see a lot of what Gwen talks about in Homer's Odyssey when I watch my Coconut.

One of my favorite books I've read. I heard about it on "My Cat From Hell" where Gwen guest starred for an episode. I never heard of the book but, being an avid cat lover, I figured I wouldn't be disappointed. I was right. The only time I put this book down (reluctantly) was for work. Gwen knows how to pull your heart strings. Being an owner of a beautiful baby abandoned as a kitten who patiently waited two years in the shelter for me to take her home, I cried so many tears of fear and joy that I started using a tissue for my bookmark. After finishing it I sent copies to all my fellow cat/pet owners, friends that are down on their luck and need something to believe in, and everyone

that I know with a passionate soul. I cannot recommend this book enough. If you want a book that can lift your spirit up in a way you didn't think possible (through a pint size blind black cat superhero) this is exactly what you need.

I love cats. I've bred cats, (yes I know many will think that's wrong), I've worked with cat rescues and I've shown cats. I almost didn't buy this book. Mainly because some friends and family have recently lost a furry friend recently and every time I try to offer words that offer support, I immediately am taken back to each and everyone I've lost.... As soon as I realized Homer didn't die, I bought the book and read it start to finish in one sitting. It's a beautiful book about a wonderful woman and her Odysseus as well as Homer's. Yes there were some parts that made me cry because I understood and totally empathized with her fear as she awaited results on tests her vet ran when Homer stopped eating. But this is a book about hope and love. I won't read the sequel, at least while I'm still grieving a kitty loved and lost a few years ago.....but maybe in the future.....

I received this amazing book as a gift. You don't have to be a cat lover to fall in love with Homer which is a beautifully written story about an incredible, special blind cat. I have given at least 20 copies as gifts, who in turn have purchased them as gifts for others. It has been translated into over 20 languages, inspired many people across the globe to adopt and save thousands of animals who have different needs, especially blind. My house is full with 4 black cats, and 2 small black dogs, but when a mostly blind, black cat needed a home, there was no hesitation on my part. Homer is a one of a kind, but he inspired me as well to give this new beautiful kitty a home. Thank you Gwen Cooper for sharing him with the world.

There isn't much I can say about this book that hasn't already been said. Since I purchased this book several months ago, I learned that my senior cat has gone blind. Gwen's story gave me the courage I needed to help my cat adjust to his new lifestyle. If you have or are considering adopting a blind cat this book is a heartwarming tale with a side practical advice on how to give your blind pet the quality of life they deserve without diminishing their independence.

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