

KLÉOPATRE

A new feline friend found within Le Bristol Paris

On the 31st of July this year, a delightful female Birman cat joined Le Bristol Paris's resident feline Fa-Raon. Her name is Kléopatre. A cat couple with panache, these two fine and affectionate animals animate the palace hotel with their grace, curiosity and well-bred dignity. "I am delighted that Kléopatre will be keeping Fa-Raon company. Her gentleness and serenity will benefit him, as well as our guests and staff," says Didier Le Calvez, CEO of Le Bristol Paris. Appeal caught up with Kléopatre to ask about her new life about the palace.

Q : How has your welcome been by Fa-Raon? Any jealousy?

A : Not at all. Fa-Raon has proven to be a real gentleman. He has kindly taken me on numerous discovery tours of the Le Bristol Paris's corridors and elegant lounges, including leisurely strolls throughout the French gardens. He has even been so kind as to share with me the most purr-fect corner of the hotel, near the concierge's counter.

Q : How might a guest be able to distinguish the différence between the two of you ?

A : Fa-Raon has touches of orange on his tail, ears and nose. And, being a lady, I do have slightly smaller features. My nose is also a darker colour. Having a nose of character is part of my namesake's fame – are you familiar with Blaise Pascal's Pensées on the matter?

Q : Besides Fa-Raon, have you found other playmates ?

A : Tiny toddlers! They are fun for simple games while slightly older children are nicely affectionate with me, particularly little girls. To be honest,

I am happy to be stroked by anyone but I do make an effort not to steal all the attention away from Fa-Raon.

Q : Please describe your accommodations at Le Bristol.

A : Upon my arrival, Fa-Raon and I were delighted to find our apartment redecorated in a contemporary style. Street artist Renk covered the walls with the word 'cat', written like graffiti and in different languages, with our names, of course, included. It is a fun place to live, it makes me feel as if I am a street cat instead of such a princess-in-waiting.

Q : How have you found guests' reaction to you presence?

A : They adore my name, which some kindly say is fitting with my somewhat regal bearing.

Q : How do you occupy your hours ?

A : I devote a minimum of two hours a day to grooming. And, Fa-Raon and I converse. Contary to what you'd expect, he is a dazzling conversationalist.

