



**Breed Advisory Committee  
Seminar – March 2015  
Silver Somalis**



**All Silver Somalis have silvery white base hair that is ticked with the appropriate colour. This gives a very beautiful lustrous, silvery sheen to the coat ... This handsome kitten is a Fawn Silver.**



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The most difficult silver to achieve is a Usual Silver as the colour should be black ticking on a clear silvery white base coat. However, the dreaded yellow stain called “tarnish” is most common with the Usual Silvers whatever the coat length. If the “overall impression” is of a silver cat, then allowance can be made.



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A Sorrel Silver has the overall impression of a soft, silvery peach colour which is made up of the silvery white base coat ticked with cinnamon. This sorrel silver Shorthair shows quite a clear silver coat.



This Chocolate Silver (SOL bs) on the left is pictured with his sorrel friend. The overall impression should be of a cool, silvery brown ticked with dark chocolate, very different from the warmth of the Sorrel Silver.



**SOL as**

An excellent example of a truly glacial, silvery blue with its defined blue ticking.



## **SOL cs**

Another pastel (dilute) silver Somali, the Lilac Silver looks like a frosty, silvery dove grey as the silvery white base coat is ticked with lilac.

This lilac silver does show tarnish across the nose and on the cheeks but the overall impression is of a silver cat.

## **SOL ds**

The Red Silver should be a clear silvery red with bright red ticking on the silvery white base coat. Red silvers are often guilty of tarnishing.



## **SOL es**

The cream silver Somali should give the impression of a powdery, silvery cream with defined, rich cream ticking on a silvery white base coat.