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Instruction Manual

Model: GCT031BR | Brand: Gitelsnour

1. INTRODUCTION

Thank you for choosing the Gitelsnour Gothic Cat Tree GCT031BR. This multi-level cat tower is designed to provide a safe, engaging, and comfortable environment for large and multiple cats. Standing at 78.7 inches (200 cm) tall, it offers various platforms, condos, hammocks, and scratching surfaces to satisfy your feline companions' natural instincts for climbing, playing, and resting.

2. SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS

- **Stability:** Ensure all connections are securely tightened during assembly. The cat tree is equipped with anti-tipping bars for enhanced stability. It is recommended to use these bars to anchor the tree to a wall, especially for active cats or multi-cat households.
- **Placement:** Place the cat tree on a flat, stable surface. Avoid placing it near windows without proper securing, or in high-traffic areas where it could be easily knocked over.
- **Regular Inspection:** Periodically check all screws, bolts, and connections to ensure they remain tight. Inspect for any loose or damaged parts and replace them immediately to prevent injury.
- **Child Safety:** Keep small children away from the cat tree during assembly and ensure they do not climb on it, as it is designed for feline use only.
- **Material Safety:** This cat tree is made of P2 grade particle board, skin-friendly plush, and natural sisal twine. Ensure your pets do not ingest any parts.

3. PACKAGE CONTENTS

Before assembly, verify that all components listed below are present and undamaged. Refer to the assembly diagram for visual identification of parts.

- Multiple platforms and perches (various sizes)
- Large cat condo/cave
- Hanging baskets (2)

- Soft hammock
- Sisal-wrapped scratching posts
- Separate sisal scratching board
- Hanging fur ball and mouse toys
- Base plate
- Anti-tipping kit (straps and wall anchors)
- Assembly hardware (screws, bolts, Allen wrench)

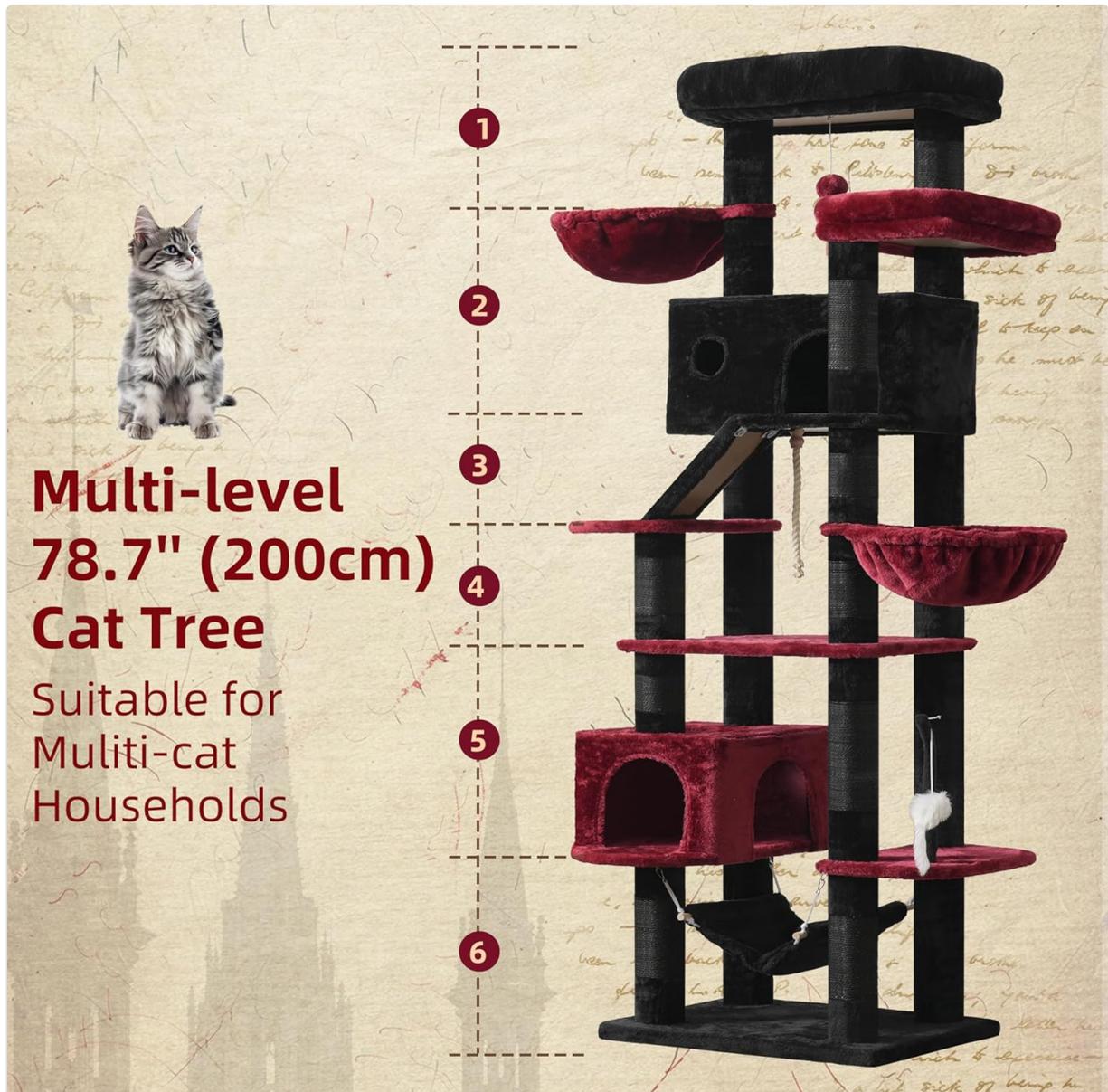


Image 1: Overview of the Gitelsnour Gothic Cat Tree GCT031BR, showcasing its multi-level design and various features.

4. ASSEMBLY INSTRUCTIONS

Follow these steps carefully for proper assembly. It is recommended to have a second person assist with larger components.

1. **Prepare the Base:** Lay the large base plate (A) on a clean, flat surface. Attach the initial scratching posts (P1, P2) to the base using the provided hardware.
2. **First Level Platforms:** Secure the first level platforms (B, C) to the posts. Ensure they are stable before proceeding.

3. **Install Cat Condo:** Assemble the large cat condo/cave (C) and attach it to the designated platform.
4. **Mid-Level Posts and Platforms:** Continue building upwards, attaching additional scratching posts (P3, P4) and platforms (D, E) as per the diagram.
5. **Hanging Baskets and Hammock:** Secure the two hanging baskets and the soft hammock to their respective positions. Ensure they are firmly attached to support your cat's weight.
6. **Top Perches:** Install the top perches (F, G), including the large top platform. The top perch features a removable and washable cushion.
7. **Attach Toys and Anti-Tipping Kit:** Hang the fur ball and mouse toys. Finally, attach the anti-tipping straps to the top of the cat tree and secure them to a wall stud using the provided anchors.



Image 2: Detailed size diagram of the cat tree, including the recommended anti-tipping bar installation.

Assembly Video Guide

Video 1: Assembly guide for a similar cat tree model. Follow the visual steps for general assembly principles.

Video 2: Another assembly guide for a multi-level cat tree, providing additional visual assistance for construction.

5. OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

The Gitelsnour Gothic Cat Tree is designed for intuitive use by your cats. Encourage your feline friends to explore its various features:

- **Climbing and Perching:** Cats can use the multiple platforms and sisal-wrapped posts to climb to different heights, satisfying their natural desire for elevated vantage points. The large top perch offers ample space for observation and rest.
- **Resting and Hiding:** The spacious cat condo, cozy hanging baskets, and soft hammock provide comfortable spots for napping, hiding, and feeling secure.
- **Scratching:** The numerous sisal scratching posts and the separate sisal board allow cats to sharpen their claws and stretch, diverting their attention from furniture.
- **Playing:** The hanging fur ball and mouse toys provide interactive entertainment, encouraging playful behavior and exercise.



Image 3: Cats utilizing the cat cave, hanging baskets, soft hammock, and playing with the attached mouse toy.

6. MAINTENANCE

- **Cleaning Plush Surfaces:** The top perch cover is removable and washable for easy cleaning. For other plush surfaces, use a vacuum cleaner to remove loose fur and debris. Spot clean any stains with a mild pet-safe cleaner and a damp cloth. Allow to air dry completely.

- **Scratching Posts:** Regularly inspect sisal scratching posts for wear and tear. While durable, heavily used posts may eventually need replacement to maintain their effectiveness and prevent damage to other parts of the tree.
- **Structural Integrity:** Periodically check all screws and connections for tightness. Re-tighten as necessary to ensure the tree remains stable and safe for your cats.
- **Toy Replacement:** Replace hanging toys if they become detached or damaged to prevent choking hazards.

7. TROUBLESHOOTING

- **Tree feels unstable:** Ensure all screws are fully tightened. Verify that the base is on a level surface. Utilize the provided anti-tipping kit to secure the tree to a wall.
- **Cats are not using the tree:** Try placing catnip on various levels or toys to attract your cats. Place the tree in a location where your cats enjoy spending time, such as near a window or in a common living area.
- **Hanging baskets or hammocks seem to bend under weight:** While designed for large cats, individual cat weight and activity levels can vary. Ensure all attachment points are secure. If bending persists, consider reinforcing the supports or limiting use by heavier cats to specific, more robust platforms.
- **Difficulty for cats to navigate between levels:** Observe your cats' movement. If they struggle, consider adding small steps or ramps if possible, or ensure the tree is placed near other furniture they can use to access higher levels.

8. SPECIFICATIONS

Feature	Detail
Model Number	GCT031BR
Brand	Gitelsnour
Product Dimensions	100.08 x 85.09 x 200.15 cm (39.4 x 33.5 x 78.7 inches)
Item Weight	21.5 kg (47.4 lbs)
Color	Black and Red
Material	Engineered Wood, Plush Fabric, Natural Sisal Twine
Special Features	Anti-Scratch, Anti-Slip, Tip Resistant
Breed Recommendation	All Breed Sizes
Recommended Use	Indoor Climbing, Jumping, Scratching, Resting

9. WARRANTY AND SUPPORT

For any questions regarding product warranty, returns, or technical support, please contact Gitelsnour customer service directly through the retailer where the product was purchased. Keep your purchase receipt as proof of purchase.

