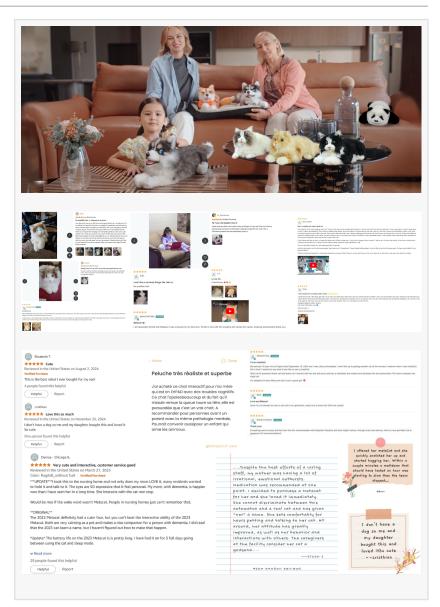


## Bionic Companion Robot Pets by Elephant Robotics: Harnessing Technology with Love and Care for Seniors

Elephant Robotics' bionic companion robot pets metaAniaml series harnesses technology with love and care to deliver emotional support for seniors.

SHENZHEN, GUANGDONG, CHINA, February 14, 2025 /EINPresswire.com/ -- The metaCat, developed by Elephant Robotics, is not just a robot pet. Unlike static dolls, this lifelike bionic companion is designed to provide users with a genuine sense of companionship. With its realistic movements, responsive behaviors, and emotional engagement, metaCat offers a unique solution for those who crave the comfort of a pet but face challenges in caring for a live animal.

Since its launch in May 2022, metaCat has quickly captured the hearts of users worldwide. One user shared, "At the beginning of 2022, my beloved pet cat passed away. It had been my companion for many years, and we had countless cherished memories. Its passing left me in deep sorrow for a



long time. By chance, I discovered Elephant Robotics' metaCat, which looks exactly like my cat. It has a soft, fluffy coat of striking black fur, and its endearing face features large, expressive eyes that shimmer with curiosity. Seeing it felt like seeing my beloved pet again, so I immediately placed an order. When I received this lifelike robotic cat, I fell in love with it at first sight. This adorable robotic companion has brought me so much joy and companionship. To express my gratitude, I even wrote a thank-you letter to the company."

Another touching story comes from a user named "STORM S," who shared how metaCat transformed her mother's life: "My mother, who is ill and often emotionally distressed, was experiencing frequent irrational outbursts despite the best efforts of her caregivers. The doctor recommended using medication at one point, but I was concerned about potential side effects. Instead, I decided to purchase a metaCat for her, and she loved it immediately. She can't distinguish this bionic robot cat with a real one and even gave it a name. She sets comfortably for hours petting and talking to her cat. All around, her attitude has greatly improved, as well as her behavior and interactions with others. The caregivers at her facility consider the metaCat a godsend."

Elephant Robotics places a strong emphasis on user experience. When the rechargeable version of metaCat was launched in March 2023, the company proactively reached out to global customers who purchased the old battery-powered version of the metaCat within 2 months prior to the launch of the rechargeable version. They offered a free upgrade, provided users returned their old units within the specified timeframe. Among them was an elderly user named "Elizabeth," who shared, "Although the rechargeable version is more convenient, I can't bear to part with my bionic companion. I interact with her every day and don't want to be separated from her for even a single day. So, I contacted the company to ask if they could send me the rechargeable version first, and I would return the battery-powered version afterward. After a quick and smooth discussion, they agreed and promptly sent me the rechargeable metaCat. I'm incredibly grateful for their understanding and flexibility."

As societies grow older, mental health issues like loneliness and depression are increasing. Elderly individuals living alone, single adults, and those with social anxiety or cognitive disorders often seek empathy, companionship, and psychological support. For seniors, challenges such as unfamiliarity with technology, feelings of isolation, and lack of family companionship make these issues even more pressing. Addressing these concerns is a broad societal challenge that requires innovative solutions. Pets have long been a source of comfort and companionship, especially for those facing loneliness or mental health challenges. However, caring for a live animal can be difficult for seniors with dementia, cognitive impairments, and mobility issues, or individuals with allergies, busy lifestyles, or financial constraints. The responsibilities of pet ownership—feeding, grooming, and walking—can be overwhelming, leaving many without the companionship they need. This highlights a market gap for an easier alternative that provides companionship without the care demands.

Elephant Robotics has expanded its line of bionic companion robot pets <u>metaAnimal</u> series, launching the robot dog metaDog in March 2024 and the robot panda metaPanda in July 2024. Each member of the metaAnimal series uses advanced AI and robotics technology to mimic reallife animal behaviors, featuring voice recognition, touch response, and adaptive learning. These robotic pets, such as the metaCat that purrs when stroked, or the metaDog that wags its tail when called, offer emotionally genuine and satisfying interactions. They provide the emotional benefits of traditional pets without the associated responsibilities, making them ideal for seniors, individuals with special needs, and anyone seeking low-maintenance companionship.

The metaAnimal series is not just a technological innovation []but serves as a robot tool for emotional healing, social connection, and education. For seniors, these robot companions offer comfort and a sense of purpose, helping to reduce loneliness and isolation. In healthcare settings, metaAnimal pets can lower anxiety, improve moods, and encourage social interaction in places like nursing homes and even alleviate the burden on caregivers. They help spark conversations and build community, making them valuable additions to senior care facilities. Therefore, Elephant Robotics persists in donating multiple batches of metaAnimal series robots to various special care institutions in the world each year. Beyond seniors, the company also focuses on the mental health of vulnerable groups, including children with autism and individuals with disabilities. The metaAnimal pets exhibit lifelike behaviors that offer companionship and stress relief, particularly for those who cannot care for traditional pets due to allergies, busy lifestyles, or physical limitations. They provide emotional support, helping to alleviate feelings of isolation and enhance overall well-being.

As aging populations evolve, the metaAnimal series represents a shift in pet ownership, showcasing Elephant Robotics' dedication to solving societal challenges with innovation and compassion while making the benefits of robotic companionship accessible to all. By fostering emotional connections and improving well-being, these bionic robot companions redefine what it means to have a pet. They offer a maintenance-free solution for animal lovers who face obstacles to traditional pet ownership, acting as trusted partners in emotional well-being.

For more information about the metaAnimal series and to explore Elephant Robotics' robots, please visit <u>https://www.elephantrobotics.com/en/</u>.

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