

## Plan the site first

Start at the route indoors. Then make room for the enclosure and the person cleaning it.

Location / date / cat's access needs

Sketch the house opening, proposed enclosure, human door swing and route back inside. Add the external footprint/skirt, inspection space, drains, shade and shelter. This blank sketch is not to scale or an installation design.



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### Record before choosing a size

| Check              | Your site notes                                             |
|--------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|
| Dimensions         | External length × width / height: _____                     |
| Door and access    | Human door swing / cleaning route: _____                    |
| House connection   | Opening, tunnel length, level changes: _____                |
| Ground and fixing  | Surface, slope, drainage / supplier-approved anchor: _____  |
| Sun and weather    | Morning / midday / afternoon shade; runoff, wind: _____     |
| Cat's usable space | Rest, hide, move and return indoors voluntarily: _____      |
| Open questions     | Permission, services, gaps or site assessment needed: _____ |

Keep a return route indoors and let your cat choose to explore. Confirm mesh suitability, attachment, ground fixing and any property permissions for the actual project. A frame pushed against a wall is not a secure connection.

# Budget for the complete project

A kit subtotal is useful. It is not yet the price of a finished catio.

Use quoted figures for your exact configuration. Mark each row **priced, included, not required or quote needed**. Record which bundle includes it and who pays. A blank or unknown cost is never zero. Add VAT only where excluded from the amounts above it.

Configuration / quote date / currency and VAT basis

| Budget line                     | Known £ | Status / included in / payer |
|---------------------------------|---------|------------------------------|
| Enclosure / exact configuration |         |                              |
| Extra human gate / porch        |         |                              |
| House opening / cat flap        |         |                              |
| Tunnel / house connectors       |         |                              |
| Ground preparation / base       |         |                              |
| Anchoring / suitable fixings    |         |                              |
| Cover / weather protection      |         |                              |
| Furnishings / supports          |         |                              |
| Delivery / unloading            |         |                              |
| Assembly / installation         |         |                              |
| Other site work / finishing     |         |                              |
| VAT not already included        |         |                              |

## Separate confirmed figures from open costs

Known subtotal (confirmed amounts counted once): £

Outstanding quote lines / count:

Optional contingency savings (your choice, separate): £

Cash plan when all lines are resolved (total + contingency): £

Keep quoted supplier totals separate from this itemised sum: do not add a bundle total and its included parts again. Use 0 only when a line truly does not apply. Until every necessary cost is resolved, label the sum "known subtotal", not "complete installed price".

Next quote / person responsible / date to follow up: \_\_\_\_\_

## Compare the same scope

Ask two suppliers the same questions before comparing their headline totals.

Use written quotes for the same site and requirements. Record the observation date and actual terms; this sheet supplies questions, not a promise of delivery, warranty cover or a legal right. Customisation and site work can change the scope.

Shared site / layout / access requirements

| Same question             | Supplier A: _____ | Supplier B: _____ |
|---------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Configuration / scope     |                   |                   |
| Included / excluded parts |                   |                   |
| VAT basis / full price    |                   |                   |
| Delivery area / charge    |                   |                   |
| Ground / site work        |                   |                   |
| Assembly / fitting        |                   |                   |
| Dates observed / valid to |                   |                   |
| Lead time / completion    |                   |                   |
| Warranty scope            |                   |                   |
| Returns / cancellation    |                   |                   |
| Care / replacement parts  |                   |                   |
| Total / open questions    |                   |                   |

Use the cost-guide questions for each row. Distinguish production, dispatch, delivery and completed fitting; a stock message is not an installation date. Save links or copies of the quoted warranty/return terms with the date.

Different inclusions / costs still to resolve

Chosen quote and reason / next question

# Match the quoted configuration

Reference figures checked 6 October 2026. Get a current basket and a site-specific quote.

Dimensions below are manufacturer-stated or labelled listing sizes. External footprint and interior are different; none is a promised clearance or proof of suitability. Prices are dated product observations, excluding unresolved site costs.

## Omlet full-height nominal 2 × 2 × 2

£619 enclosure; human door included. Interior 1.8 × 1.8m; 2.2 × 2.2m including skirt; height 2.05m. The matching heavy-duty 2 × 2 cover was £60: £679 for those two products, before the other project lines.

[Read the configuration and source evidence in our guide](#)

## Omlet full-height nominal 2 × 3 × 2

£739 enclosure; human door included. Interior 1.8 × 2.7m; 2.2 × 3.1m including skirt; height 2.05m. Do not carry the compact kit's £60 cover allowance into this configuration.

[Read the configuration and source evidence in our guide](#)

## ProtectaPet CATGT2424: Catio with Gate

£1,400 selected gated bundle. External 2.4 × 2.4 × 2.4m; interior 2.34 × 2.34 × 2.34m. The £800 CATIO2424 base excludes the gate: they are different baskets.

[Read the configuration and source evidence in our guide](#)

## Wingham three-sided: selected 6ft × 3ft × 7.2ft

Amazon ASIN B0FKBF2686. Nominal listing dimensions; confirm the exact footprint and supplied parts. A suitable solid wall must complete the fourth side. Its maker's configurable offer is a separate quote, not the same basket.

[Read the configuration and source evidence in our guide](#)

## The next useful decision

1. Resolve the site and house connection on page 1.
2. Choose a suitable size in [our catio buying guide](#), then use its verified retailer action. Omlet links open a configurator: select the named full-height size.
3. Obtain missing costs and comparable written terms before ordering. For DIY, record the work and fixings you still need, not an invented installer quote.

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