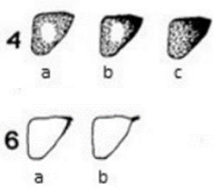
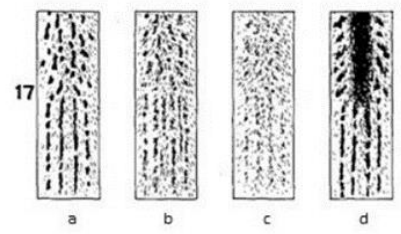


Table S2a. *Felis silvestris lybica* morphological distinctive details in Sardinia. Somatic regions following and adapted from Ragni & Possenti (1996). Shown in brackets percentages of wildcat individuals (among those analyzed within this study) described by specific keys.

Somatic region	Pattern	
<i>Pinnae</i>  4c (67%) 6b (50%)		
<i>Gularis</i>  7b 'reversed' (33%)		
<i>Scapularis</i>  14b (33%)		
<i>Dorsalis</i>  17a (17=42%)		

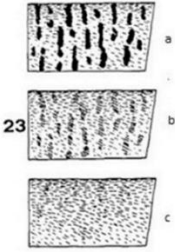
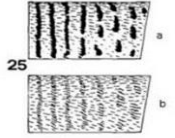
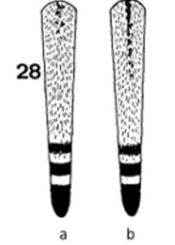
<i>Lateralis</i>  23  25	 23b (33%)	 25b (25%)
<i>Caudalis</i>  28	 28a (42%)	

Table S2b. Pelage details (following Ragni & Possenti 1996) of road-killed Sardinian cats morphologically analyzed and genetically assigned to *F. s. lybica*.

ID ISPRA	ID sample	Genetic assignment	Pinnæ	Gularis	Occipitalis	Scapularis	Dorsalis	Lateralis	Caudalis
2159	WC1	<i>F. s. lybica</i>	4c	-	11a	14c	18c	23c	28
2196	WC4	<i>F. s. lybica</i>	4c	7b rev	10a	14c	17d	24b	28b
2197	WC5	<i>F. s. lybica</i>	3	9	10	14	19	23	-
2199	WC7	<i>F. s. lybica</i>	4c	7b rev	11c	14b	17d	23b	28a
2205	WC9	<i>F. s. lybica</i>	4c	7b rev	-	14a	17b	25b	28a
2206	WC12	<i>F. s. lybica</i>	4c	8c	11b	14b	17b	23b	28a
2222	WC15	<i>F. s. lybica</i>	4c	7a	10a	14b	17a	23b	28a