

Animal Fact Sheet

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European Mole

Talpa europaea

The European Mole is a small, fossorial mammal known for its velvety fur, cylindrical body, and powerful, spade-like forelimbs adapted for digging. This species spends nearly its entire life underground...

Quick facts

Classification: Mammal**Family:** Talpidae**Habitat:** Underground burrows in grasslands, woodlands, and gardens**Diet:** Carnivore**Conservation status:** Least Concern**Lifespan:** 3-5 years**Weight:** 70–130 grams**Scientific name:** *Talpa europaea*

Did you know?

- A single European Mole can eat its own body weight in food each day, consuming hundreds of earthworms, insects, and larvae.
- European Moles can dig up to 20 meters of tunnel per day. Their saliva contains toxins that paralyze earthworms, allowing them to store live prey for...

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