

Animal Fact Sheet

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Northern Pika

Ochotona hyperborea

The northern pika is a small, herbivorous mammal notable for its rounded body, short limbs, and lack of a visible tail. These animals are well-adapted to cold, mountainous environments and are distin...

Quick facts

Classification: Mammal

Family: Ochotonidae

Habitat: Mountainous rocky slopes and talus fields

Diet: Herbivore

Conservation status: Least Concern

Lifespan: 3-7 years

Weight: 100-200 grams

Scientific name: *Ochotona hyperborea*

Did you know?

- The northern pika is extremely sensitive to heat and can die from overheating at temperatures as low as 25°C (77°F).
- Pikas do not hibernate and rely on stored vegetation to make it through the winter. Their distinctive 'eep' calls serve both as alarm signals and as...

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