

Animal Fact Sheet

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Red Fox

Vulpes vulpes

The red fox is a highly adaptable and widespread canid native to the Northern Hemisphere. Characterized by its striking reddish-orange fur, bushy tail tipped with white, and black legs, it thrives in...

Quick facts

Classification: Mammal

Family: Canidae

Habitat: Forests, grasslands, mountains, deserts, and urban areas

Diet: Omnivore

Conservation status: Least Concern

Lifespan: 3-6 years in the wild, up to 14 years in captivity

Weight: 2.2–14 kg (4.9–31 lbs)

Scientific name: *Vulpes vulpes*

Did you know?

- Despite their name, not all red foxes are red—some can be silver, black, or cross-colored due to genetic variation.
- Red foxes use their bushy tails for balance and warmth, curling them around their bodies during cold weather. They have excellent hearing and can eve...

What I learned
