



SNOW LEOPARD

The snow leopard is one of the world's most mysterious cats.
Read on to discover more interesting facts about them.



WHERE
THEY
LIVE

Snow leopards can be found in twelve countries across central Asia, and the Himalayas.

www.wwf.org.uk/wildlife/snow_leopard/

Snow leopard territory

CHARACTERISTICS

- A thick tail is used for balance and can be wrapped around their body for warmth.
- Their coat is a white to smokey-grey colour, with patterned dark-grey to black rosettes and spots.
- Adults can weigh between 35-52kg.
- Short forelimbs and long hind limbs enable them to move quickly in their steep and rocky habitat.
- Extremely agile and a superb jumper. They can spring and pounce on prey up to 15m away!

FAMILY

Female snow leopards give birth to a litter size of two to three cubs, which are born with black spots. They become independent from their mother when almost two years old. As an adult they tend to live and hunt alone.

DID YOU KNOW

Their beautiful coats are grey with, dark rosettes and spots with shading to white on the belly. The coats are thick and keep the leopards well insulated.