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**Snow Leopard**

**Sticky Note 1:**

**The snow leopard are the endangered cats are nearly impossible to see—they’ve even earned the nickname “ghost of the mountains”!**

**Appearance:** The snow leopard’s powerful build allows it to scale great steep slopes with ease. Its hind legs give the snow leopard the ability to leap six times the length of its body!

**Habitat:** Snow Leopard have spotted coats which act as cloaks of invisibility by blending into the rocky mountains of the 12 Central Asian countries where the cats live: Afghanistan, Bhutan, China, India, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Mongolia, Nepal, Pakistan, Russia, Tajikistan, and Uzbekistan.

**Movement:** Show Leopards have large paws work like snowshoes, letting the cat walk on snow without sinking. And their long, heavy tail helps them keep their balance while they’re chasing prey.

Snow leopards have powerful legs and can jump as far as 50 feet!

**Diet:** Snow Leopards are carnivorous and the cat’s main prey are ibex, argali and blue sheep.

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**Sticky Note 2:**

**The snow leopard’s wide nose warms cold air before it enters its lungs!**

**Reproduction:** Snow Leopard are single moms, for about 18 months, females raise their cubs all alone!

**Social Structures:** Snow Leopard are solo travellers, the snow leopard is usually solitary and highly elusive. Adult snow leopards are solitary, but young siblings will cuddle and play.

**Communication:**  Snow leopards can mew, growl, and puff, but they can’t roar.

**Survival Skills:** Snow leopards are perfectly adapted to the cold, barren landscape of their high-altitude home, but human threats have created an uncertain future for the cats.

Despite a range of over 2 million square kilometers, scientist estimate that **there may only be between 3,920 and 6,390 snow leopards left in the wild**.

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