

A close-up photograph of a white rabbit with long, upright ears, resting its head among dense green foliage. The rabbit's eyes are closed, and its nose is visible near the leaves. The background is a soft-focus green.

# RABBITS

ANIMAL RESEARCH REPORT

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## CHARACTERISTICS

**Shape:** slender, long ear, short tail,

**Size:** 20-50cm, 0.4-2kg

**Color:** shades of brown, gray, white, and buff (light brownish yellow)

**Features:** long whiskers, soft fur, and have ears that can swivel in almost all directions.

**Diet:** Herbivore. Diet consist mainly of grass and other vegetation.

**Movement:** move in a soft two-beat hops





A young brown rabbit is sitting in a patch of green grass. A semi-transparent rectangular box is overlaid on the right side of the image, containing text about rabbit habitats. The rabbit has long, upright ears and is looking towards the camera.

## **HABITAT**

Rabbit lives in a range of environments ranging from deserts to tropical forest to wetland and even to our homes.

They are ground dwellers and can be commonly found in grasslands and well-drained burrows.

Their long ears is an adaptation for detecting predators and regulating temperature.



## LIFE CYCLE

**Lifespan:** up to 9 years for domestic rabbits and less than 4 years for wild rabbits.

**Gestation:** 31-33 days. Average size of litter is 5 bunnies.

**Newborn:** called kittens and kits, under 2" at birth, born blind and without hair.

**Adolescent:** reach sexual maturity around 3 to 4 months old.

**Adult:** 12 months. Adult rabbits tend to slow down at age 3.





## PREDATORS

Their main predators are stoats and foxes.

Loud scream when frightened by predators allows them to alarm others and show aggression.

They can move quick and irregularly to avoid being captured by predators



## FUN FACTS

1. Rabbit's ears can almost rotate a full circle (up to 270 degree).
2. Rabbits are social creatures and enjoy having other rabbits around.
3. Male rabbit is called a "buck" and female rabbit is called a "doe".



