

# Red Fox

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### Appearance

The red fox has a very bushy tail. The red fox that live in the north are bigger than those in the south. Red foxes can be red, black, or silver. Sometimes they have white markings on their paws, chest, or tail and these are called cross foxes.



### Habitat and Diet

The red fox has many ways for a home. Sometimes they use a used burrow. They will eat almost anything but, they normally eat meat. Never enrage a red fox because they have 42 very sharp teeth.

### Adaptations

The red fox is really prepared for winter because it will eat anything and it has a bushy coat to stay warm. It can curl up in a ball if they can't find a home to stay in. They live in the U.S! Cool huh! They also can hear low frequency sounds to eat its prey... small animals.



### Life Cycle

The red fox is very aggressive when it comes to mating season. Sometimes, when two want the same mate, they fight to impress her. Once with cubs, they settle and get them outside when they're ready. There are many in a litter and they are very playful. They will get very shy outside.

### Interesting Facts

The red fox has many dog tactics because it IS a dog! It's a cousin to the timber wolf and the coyote. Weird as it is, it pounces like a cat and howls like a dog!! They have very smooth tongues like a dog. Largest fox of them all, that's the red fox.

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