



Skunks

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Appearance

A skunk is black and has a white stripe. It has a bushy tail and it's the size of a cat. Did you know skunks are nocturnal?



Habitat and Diet

In the wild skunks live in burrows and they are vegetarians. When skunks live in the city they live under buildings and eat whatever they find.

Adaptations

When skunks are afraid, they screech. Skunks only spray when in danger.

Life Cycle

Mother skunks usually have 2 to 10 live babies. Their eyes open around 3 to 4 weeks after they are born. They only live for about 3 years.



Interesting Facts

Skunks don't have very good eyesight. Their spray is called musk. It comes out of two glands under their tail. Did you know skunks hibernate? They have 34 really sharp teeth!

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