

MAMMALS OF LADAKH

1) Common name: Snow leopard

Scientific name: *Uncia uncia*

Local name: Shan

Breeding season: January-March

Areas of encounter: Found all across Ladakh.

Typical areas are Hemis National Park, Ulley, Saspotsey, Rong Valley, Shayok area and Zanskar.



2) Common name: Eurasian lynx

Scientific name: *Lynx lynx isabellinus*

Local name: Eeh

Breeding seasons: February-April

Areas of encounter: Hemis National Park, Zanskar, Changla, Tsokar and Nubra Valley.



3) Common name: Pallas's cat

Scientific name: *Otocolobus manul*

Local name: Taksram

Breeding season: January-February

Areas of encounter: Hanley, Rupshu and the Changthang area.



4) Common name: Himalayan brown bear

Scientific name: *Ursus arctos Isabellinus*

Local name: Denmo

Breeding season: May-June

Areas of encounter: Drass, Upper Suru Valley, Zanskar, Kargil area, Mulbek, Rangdum and the Kanji area.





5) Common name: Tibetan wolf
Scientific name: *Canis lupus Chanku*
Local name: Shangku
Breeding season: February-April
Areas of encounter: Found all over Ladakh. Typical areas are Rumbak, Markha, Changthang plains, Liker, Ulley and Zanskar Valley.

6) Common name: Tibetan wild dog
Scientific name: *Cuon alpinus*
Local name: Phara
Breeding season: February-March
Areas of encounter: Hemis National Park, Rupshu and the Changthang plains.



7) Common name: Red fox
Scientific name: *Vulpes vulpes*
Local name: Watse
Breeding season: February-March
Areas of encounter: All over Ladakh.

8) Common name: Tibetan sand fox
Scientific name: *Vulpes ferrilata*
Local name: Sili
Breeding season: not recorded
Areas of encounter: Hanley, Kuyul and Chumur areas of the Changthang.



9) Common name: Eurasian otter

Scientific name: *Lutra lutra*



Local name: Chusram

Breeding season: Throughout the year

Areas of encounter: Along the Indus River and its major tributaries including the Runtse and lower Zanskar, Suru and Drass Valleys.

10) Common name: Mountain weasel

Scientific name: *Mustela altaica*

Local name: Lakimo

Breeding season: February-March

Areas of encounter: Hemis National Park and the Tsokar basin.



11) Common name: Himalayan weasel

Scientific name: *Mustela altaica*

Local name: Lakimo

Breeding season: February-March

Areas of encounter: It is reported from Shey, Thiksey and Hemis National Park.



12) Common name: Stone marten

Scientific name: *Martes foina*

Local name: Kogar

Breeding season: September-October

Areas of encounter: Kargil region, lower Indus, Nubra Valley and Hemis National Park.



13) Common name: Stoat

Scientific name: *Mustela erminea*

Local name: Lakimo

Breeding season: July-August

Areas of encounter: Zanskar, Suru Valley and Markha Valley.



14) Common name: Wild yak
Scientific name: *Bos mutus*
Local name: Dong
Breeding season: September-November
Areas of encounter: Chhang Chhenmo Valley of the Changthang.



15) Common name: Tibetan argali
Scientific name: *Ovis ammon hodgsoni*
Local name: Nyan
Breeding season: November-December
Areas of encounter: Gya, Miru, Tsokar, Yaya Tso and Hemis National Park.

16) Common name: Asiatic ibex
Scientific name: *Capra siberica*
Local name: Skin
Breeding season: November-December
Areas of encounter: Saspotsey, Ulley, Hemis Shukpachan, Dha Hanu, Domkhar Skurbuchan and Lungnak in Zanskar.



17) Common name: Blue sheep

Scientific name: *Pseudois nayaur*
Local name: Napo
Breeding season: November-December
Areas of encounter: It is found across the eastern and central parts of Ladakh.



18) Common name: Ladakh urial
Scientific name: *Ovis vigneivignei*
Local name: Shapo, Shalmar, Shalugu
Breeding season: November-December
Areas of encounter: Mainly along the lower Indus Valley and Shayok river Valley. Typical areas are Saspotsey, Ulley, Hemis Shukpachan, Foto Laand the Nubra Valley.



19) Common name: Tibetan antelope
Scientific name: *Pantholops hodgsoni*
Local name: Tsos
Breeding season: December-January
Areas of encounter: The Chhang Chhenmo and Daulat Beg Oldi areas.



20) Common name: Tibetan gazelle
Scientific name: *Procapra picticaudata*
Local name: Gowa
Breeding season: December-January
Areas of encounter: It is found in the Hanley and Kuyul areas of the Changthang.



21) Common name: Musk deer
Scientific name: *Moschus chrysogaster*
Local name: Lawa
Breeding season: not recorded
Areas of encounter: not recorded after 1960



22) Common name: Tibetan wild ass
Scientific name: *Equus kiang*
Local name: Kiang
Breeding season: End July-end September
Areas of encounter: The Changthang region including Tsokar, Hanley, Chumur, Chushul and Loma.



23) Common name: Himalayan marmot
Scientific name: *Marmota bobak*
Local name: Phya
Breeding season: April-May
Areas of encounter: Rumbak, Markha, the Changthang plains, Rupshu, Tsokar, Saspotsey, upper Ulley, Tsomoriri, Chumur, Hanley and Khardong La pass.



24) Common name: Long-tail marmot



Scientific name: *Marmota caudata*

Local name: Phya

Breeding season: April-May

Areas of encounter: Zaskar Valley and especially the upper Suru region.

25) Common name: Stoliczka's mountain vole

Scientific name: *Alticola stoliczkanus*

Local name: Zabra

Breeding season: not recorded

Areas of encounter: Tsokar, Puga, Chumur, Hanley, the Chushul plains, upper Markha and the Rumbak area.



26) Common name: Royle's mountain vole



Scientific name: *Alticola roylei*

Local name: Zabra

Breeding season: not recorded

Areas of encounter: Panikhar, Suru Valley, Zaskar and the Chang chu Valley.

27) Common name: Silvery mountain vole

Scientific name: *Alticola argentatus*

Local name: Zabra

Family: Rodents

Breeding season: not recorded

Areas of encounter: The southern slopes of the Tsokar plains are the best sighting area.



28) Common name: Tibetan woolly hare



Scientific name: *Lepus oiostolus*

Local name: Ribong

Breeding season: April-June

Areas of encounter: Rupshu, the Changthang plains, Tsokar, Tsomoriri, Chumur, the Hanley plains, Chushul, Markha, Rumbak and Ganglas.

29) Common name: Cape hare
Scientific name: *Lepus capensis*
Local name: Ribong
Breeding season: April-June
Areas of encounter: Mainly encountered along the Nubra and Shayok river valleys.



30) Common name: Ladakh pika



Scientific name: *Ochotona ladacensis*
Local name: Zabra
Breeding season: May-August
Areas of encounter: The Tsokar and Hanley plains.

31) Common name: Plateau pika (Black-lipped pika)

Scientific name: *Ochotona curzoniae*

Local name: Zabra

Breeding season: May-August

Areas of encounter: The Changthang region, Rupshu, Tsokar and the Chushul plains.



32) Common name: Nubra pika



Scientific name: *Ochotona nubrica*

Local name: Zabra

Breeding season: June-August

Areas of encounter: In the Hippophaethickets of the Hunder and Disket areas of the Nubra Valley.

33) Common name: Large-eared pika

Scientific name: *Ochotona macrotis*

Local name: Zabra

Breeding season: June-August

Areas of encounter: It is reported from Khardong La and the lower Hunder Valley (Nubra).



34) Common name: Royle's pika

Scientific name: *Ochotona roylei*

Local name: Zabra

Breeding season: June early-September

Areas of encounter: It is mostly reported from Central Ladakh and the upper Suru and Zaskar Valleys.

