



WINTER WILDLIFE WALK

Get out with the animals on a winter wildlife walk!

As the days get shorter and temperatures fall you may feel like snuggling down under the bed covers to keep warm! Wild animals can't do that; they're out and about in whatever weather winter sends their way.

Not all wild animals stay here during the cold winter months. Some birds are summer visitors who travel home before winter arrives – swallows fly all the way back to Africa. These animals are called 'migrants'. Other animals, such as hedgehogs, sleep throughout winter and wake up with the warm spring sunshine. This sleepy state is called 'hibernation'.

Animals that don't hibernate or migrate must survive the cold winter weather. Their warm fur coats and feathers help to keep them warm, but winter is still a difficult time for wildlife. Food is often hard to find, so some animals, such as squirrels, build winter larders!

Grab your raincoat, scarf and wellies and take off on a winter wildlife walk! What wild animals and signs of winter will you spot? Can you find all of these?

- ➡ Blackbird ➡ Deer ➡ Fox ➡ Frost ➡ Icicles

EXTRA CHALLENGE!

Find out three fascinating facts about three of the things you saw on your walk.

