

Learn about Goats!

Goats are a domestic animal that originated in Asia, they're one of the oldest domestic species! People use goats for their meat, milk, and sometimes their fiber to make clothes with. Goats are herd animals, they live together in a big group with many other goats and sometimes other animals like sheep or even dogs!.

Strange Eyes

Goats and sheep both have rectangular pupils! They are prey species so it is thought that it is an adaptation to spot predators in all directions. Goats have nearly 360 degree vision!



Goats in the Wild

All goats and sheep have two hooves that make them very good climbers! There are many species of wild goat and sheep. Some, like the Markhor and Peninsular Bighorn Sheep are considered Endangered due to overhunting and loss of their mountainous habitat.

Want to Learn more? Check out these links and activities!

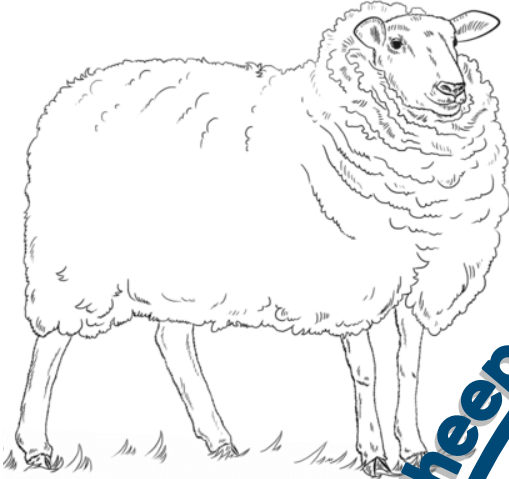
Smithsonian National Zoo: <https://nationalzoo.si.edu/animals/goat>

San Diego Zoo: <https://animals.sandiegozoo.org/animals/goat-and-sheep>

Nat Geo: Goats Climb Near-Vertical Dam: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=f0jMzdbEui0>

All in the Family

Domestic goats are members of the Bovidae family, which includes gazelles, African antelope, bison and other domesticated species, such as sheep and cattle.



Compare and Contrast the features that Goats have and the features that Sheep have with this Venn Diagram!

Sheep Features

Goat Features

