

Snow Leopards

Did you know that snow leopards are endangered? Yes, snow leopards are categorized as vulnerable. Here are some facts about snow leopards: their population is only about 4,000-6,500 which is not an **abundant** amount. They live in these 12 countries across Asia. These countries: are Afghanistan, China, India, Mongolia, and many others. More than sixty percent of snow leopards live in China. Snow leopards are very stealthy predators; their fur perfectly blends in with their cold surroundings. Snow leopards are definitely not **amateur predators**. Their stealthiness and their speed is perfect for catching prey.

The two main reasons that snow leopards are endangered are humans killing them and climate change. Snow leopards' main prey are blue sheep. Despite being called leopard they are most related to tigers. Snow leopards can leap with grace over 9 meters. Snow leopards have an **advantage** because their long tails help them balance on the rocky mountains. Sometimes snow leopards even bite their tails to keep their face warm! Snow leopards are crepuscular, which means that they are most active hunters at twilight. There are so many cool facts about snow leopards and they are also very important for the environment. Snow leopards play a key role in hunting. They also provide many resources for local communities including food, wood, and even medicine. Snow leopards are such interesting and cool creatures. They are not **lame!**