

## DECEMBER 2025

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### Polar bear and cubs

(Ursus maritimus)

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### Polar bear and cubs (Ursus maritimus)

Polar bears are the largest species of bear in the world and the only one to be classed as a marine mammal due to spending the majority of their lives on the sea ice of the Arctic Ocean. They spend nearly half their time hunting, traversing the sea ice and swimming between ice floes for hours at a time to find ringed and bearded seals. After feeding through the summer and autumn to gain as much weight as possible, pregnant females dig into the snow to create a den, usually giving birth in December to between one and three cubs, although twins are most common. The mother stays in the den with her cubs, without venturing out to eat or drink, until they reach three or four months of age.

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## **JANUARY 2026**

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### **Ring-tailed lemur and young**

(Lemur catta)

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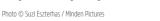
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### Ring-tailed lemur and young (Lemur catta)

Endangered ring-tailed lemurs are instantly identifiable by their long, boldly striped black and white tails, used for balance while they forage for fruit, leaves and flowers in the canopy and on the ground, where they spend much of their time. They are social animals, living in troops of between six and 30 individuals, led by a dominant female. Mothers carry their young for the first two weeks of their life, until they are able to cling on to her themselves and where they will stay until around five months old. Ring-tailed lemurs are native only to the island of Madagascar and its neighbouring islets.





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### Asian elephants

(Elephas maximus indicus)

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#### Asian elephants (Elephas maximus indicus)

There are three subspecies of the Asian elephant, all smaller than their African elephant cousins, and these mammals are commonly regarded as culturally important across mainland Asia, featuring in religious and ceremonial iconography. They are very sociable, living in extended family groups of six to seven related females and their young, led by the oldest individual, the matriarch. Asian elephants are often found close to a water source and consume large amounts of grasses, roots, leaves and stems; their fondness for cultivated crops such as sugar cane, bananas and rice can bring them into conflict with farmers.





## **MARCH 2026**

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### Japanese macaques

#### (Macaca fuscata)

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#### Japanese macaques (Macaca fuscata)

Commonly called snow monkeys due to their habitats in the cold forest mountains and highland regions of three of the four main Japanese islands, these primates thrive in areas where winter temperatures can fall to -15°C and snowfall can exceed one metre in depth. Their habit of bathing in volcanic thermal springs is a learned behaviour, passed between generations as a way to warm themselves. Troops can be as large as 100 but more usually consist of 20 to 30 individuals, ruled by an alpha male and female. Commonly, mothers give birth to a single infant and mate with a different male each breeding season, increasing the genetic diversity of their troop.





## **APRIL 2026**

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Lioness	with	cub
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### Lioness with cub (Panthere leo)

Lionesses within a pride of lions tend to have their young at a similar time, joining forces to look after the cubs to keep them safe. Each pride of related females, their cubs and young males, is led by a dominant male who sees off potential predators and rival males. Cubs are born with spots and rosettes in their fur that help to carnouflage them amongst the long grass and bush of the savannah, the markings fading as they reach maturity. Cubs are born without teeth: their milk teeth come in at around one month old and are eventually replaced with powerful adult teeth.





## **MAY 2026**

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Brown bear (Ursus arctos)

## MAY 2026

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#### Brown bear (Ursus arctos)

Brown bears, also known as grizzly bears, can be found across northwestern North America, Russia, northern China, northern Japan and Europe. The abundance of rich vegetation and prey such as moose, caribou and spawning salmon found in southern Alaska means the brown bears here tend to grow larger and live in higher densities than elsewhere. Long claws are used for foraging for roots and berries, excavating prey or for spurring bursts of speed when hunting. Brown bears spend their winters in hibernation, entering a den in October or November and emerging six or seven months later. A mother will give birth to a litter of usually two or three cubs inside her den, in January or February.

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## **JUNE 2026**

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### **Chatham albatross**

(Thalassarche eremita)

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### Chatham albatross (Thalassarche eremita)

The medium-sized albatross, also known as the Chatham mollymawk or Chatham Island mollymawk, breeds in only one place in the world, a large rock stack named The Pyramid, in the Chatham Islands, 800 km east of New Zealand's South Island. These birds reach maturity at seven years old and will commonly mate for life, returning to the rocky ledges and crevices of The Pyramid to build their pedestal nests from vegetation and soil, where a single egg will be laid each season. The chick fledges at around 20 weeks old, leaving the colony to spend five to seven years at sea, ranging the South Pacific from Tasmania to Peru.



## **JULY 2026**

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### Common bottlenose dolphins

(Tursiops truncatus)

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13th: Bank Holiday (N. Ireland)

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### **Common bottlenose dolphins** (Tursiops truncatus)

A pair of common bottlenose dolphins leap from the Caribbean Sea; these marine mammals can be found worldwide in warm and temperate seas, in social groups known as 'pods' that can consist of hundreds of individuals. They break the surface to take in oxygen, but also for navigation and simply for fun. Research has revealed the vast intelligence of bottlenose dolphins and that they have the longest social memories of any animal outside humans, able to recognise the unique whistles and clicks of dolphins they associated with up to two decades ago. Their clicks also act as echo-location, allowing dolphins to gauge the size, speed and shape of objects in the ocean and enabling them to catch food such as squid and fish.



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(Panthera pardus)

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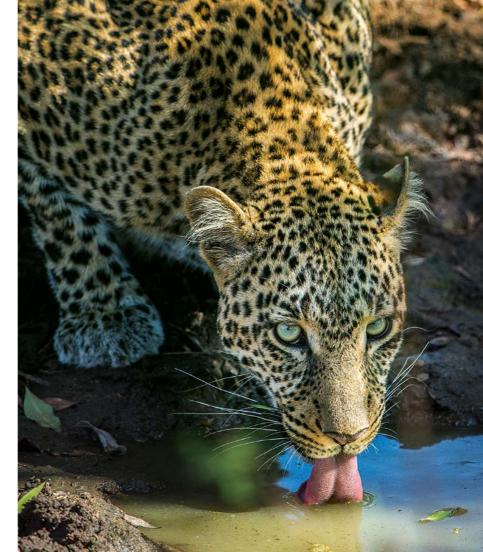
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### Leopard (Panthera pardus)

This solitary big cat, identified by its dark rosettes of spots and amber fur, is an agile climber and can spend the majority of its time in tree branches, dropping to the ground only to hunt. A leopard is powerful enough to drag its kill back into a tree to store the remains, from rodents or antelope and deer to livestock. Leopards have a distinctive, rasping roar, used by males to defend their territory and by females to attract mates and call their cubs. The range of leopards is thought to have reduced significantly in recent decades and they are classed as a vulnerable species, found in pockets of sub-Saharan Africa, India, Central and Southeast Asia, eastern China and the Himalayas.



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### Bornean orangutan

(Pongo pygmaeus)

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### Bornean orangutan (Pongo pygmaeus)

One of three species of orangutans, the Bornean orangutan inhabits the rainforests and jungles of Borneo, while its cousins are found in northern Sumatra. Gorillas and chimpanzees are the only primates more closely related to humans, and orangutans' intelligence is well documented, particularly around manipulating tools, self-recognition and communication. Orangutans are less social creatures than other primates: adult males avoid other males and only interact with potential female mates, while females commonly live only with their dependent young. Orangutans are critically endangered, their falling numbers caused by a combination of factors including an average eight-year breeding interval in the wild, habitat loss due to farming and logging, and hunting.

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## Hippopotamus

(Hippopotamus amphibius)

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### Hippopotamus and young (Hippopotamus amphibius)

Greek for 'river horse', these large mammals spend much of their time semi-submerged in the waterways of sub-Saharan Africa; with their nostrils, eyes and ears positioned at the top of the head they are perfectly adapted to this method of keeping cool. Weighing up to four tonnes, their huge bodies are supported when moving through water but, even on land, they are able to walk several kilometres in their nocturnal grazing and their short legs can propel them to speeds of 48 kilometres per hour in short bursts. Although herbivorous, a hipopotamus's huge jaws can open up to 150 degrees, revealing enormous teeth that can inflict serious wounds when fighting other hippos or seeing off their predators, such as lions, crocodiles, hyenas and humans.



## **NOVEMBER 2026**

30th: Bank Holiday (Scotland)

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American flamingo (Phoenicopterus ruber)

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# **NOVEMBER 2026**

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30th: Bank Holiday (Scotland)

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### American flamingo (Phoenicopterus ruber)

The largest of flamingos, the American flamingo is native to the Caribbean and the north coast of South America. Their distinctive pink plumage is caused by a pigment in the shrimps, molluscs, algae and aquatic invertebrates they eat, abundant in the saltwater shallows and alkaline lakes where they thrive. American flamingos are particularly tall, measuring 1.5 m in adulthood, and are long-lived birds even in the wild, with a lifespan of 40 to 60 years. Flamingos are social creatures, commonly gathering in flocks of hundreds and even thousands of individuals. Breeding is linked to rainfall and food supply levels and breeding displays can involve hundreds of birds wing lifting and head turning together, so that a colony is ready to mate and lay eggs simultaneously.

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## **DECEMBER 2026**

25th: Bank Holiday (UK) 28th: Bank Holiday (UK)

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(Procyon lotor)

# **DECEMBER 2026**

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25th: Bank Holiday (UK) 28th: Bank Holiday (UK)

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#### Raccoon (Procyon lotor)

The common or northern raccoon, known for its iconic facial markings and dextrous front paws, is native to North America and is incredibly adaptable, living in deciduous and mixed forests, mountainous and urban areas, a range that can bring it into conflict with the human population in some regions. Related females tend to live in shared home ranges stretching from three to several thousand hectares, depending on the territory type. Mothers have two to five 'kits' in the spring who will live together as a family until they are ready to leave in late autumn.

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