

# RABBITS

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## DID YOU KNOW?

**Most wild rabbits live for less than two years.**

Rabbits have many predators, including birds, wild animals, and pets, and are frequently killed by cars and other human activities. They can, however, reproduce several times a year to make the most of the time they do have.

## DID YOU KNOW?

**Rabbits eat their own poop!**

Rabbits ingest “cecotropes” (“night feces”). These soft feces are nutrient-rich and pass from the body like normal stools, but are later re-ingested so that important nutrients can be absorbed. They have more protein, less fiber, and higher levels of certain vitamins than typical, hard, rabbit fecal pellets. Wouldn't want that to go to waste!



## HELP!

**Are rabbits nibbling your plants?**

## TRY THIS!

To protect your precious plants without harming the rabbits, try fencing off planting areas or putting plastic tubing around immature trees. Never relocate a pesky rabbit. They're easily disoriented, and in their new surroundings, they may become prey.

## HELP!

**Have you found an abandoned nest with a litter of kits?**

## TRY THIS!

Mothers will often leave nests all day to avoid attracting the attention of their many predators - so, resist the urge to “rescue” the kits. If you think a nest might be abandoned, place twigs or grass over the entrance. If this isn't moved within 24 hours, call a wildlife rehabilitation facility for assistance.