

Bunny Palooza

Is it Wild or Domestic?

Wild:

Size

Usually lighter build, averaging 8-20 inches long and weighing 2-5 pounds.

Colour

Normally light brown with a white tail. Snowshoe hares are white in winter and change to brown in summer. Their colouring camouflages them against predators.

Features

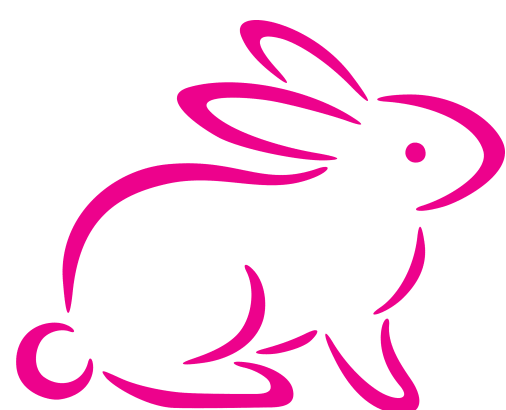
Slimmer build, longer legs, and long and narrow face with ears always erect. Their features are usually sharper and more distinct than a domestic rabbit's.

Lifespan

Normal lifespan of a wild rabbit is 1-2 years. Being a prey animal, they often succumb to predators.

Personality

Wild rabbits are more likely to be seen alone unless it is mating season. Since they are prey animals they scare easily and will run away when approached by humans.



Domestic (Pet):

Size

Usually stockier (rounder) build, anywhere from 8 inches up to 35 inches long and weighing from 2-20 pounds.

Colour

Domestic breeds vary in colour. They can be a solid colour or multicoloured (2 or 3 different colours, and in a variety of patterns).

Features

Their ears can be droopy (lop eared) or erect, depending on the breed. In some mixed breeds one ear may droop while the other is erect. Their features are usually "softer" (less angular). Their faces are usually shorter and rounder.

Lifespan

If a domestic rabbit is healthy and well cared for it can live a good long life (10-15 years).

Personality

Domestic rabbits enjoy companionship and are miserable without company, whether human or in the form of another bonded rabbit. If approached by a human, they will rarely run away. If found outdoors they may actually approach a human, looking for help.

