

Eurasian Otter

Lutra lutra

WHERE DO EURASIAN OTTERS LIVE?

They are the most widespread otter species stretching across Europe, parts of Asia and even Africa! They live in highland lakes, rivers, marshes and coastline.



DID YOU KNOW?



Thanks to protection and less polluted rivers these otters have made a spectacular comeback in Europe.

WHAT DO EURASIAN OTTERS EAT?

Like a lot of otters, they mostly eat fish. They may also eat crabs, insects or small birds.



Mostly lives on its own

Otter poo is called spraint

Long tail for swimming and steering

Can close ears and nostrils underwater

Long whiskers to detect fish underwater, even in muddy water!

Sharp teeth for catching prey

Webbed paws for swimming

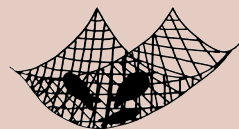
Unique white markings on under belly



DID YOU KNOW?

A group of otters is called a Romp!

EURASIAN OTTERS ARE A NEAR THREATENED AND DECREASING SPECIES!



Fishing nets can accidentally drown otters.

Human pollution can kill the fish that the otters eat.

Habitat destruction means the otters have nowhere to live.

