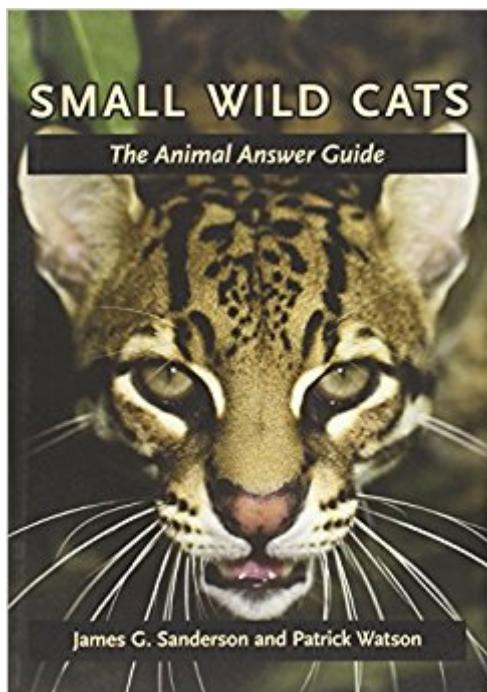


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Small Wild Cats: The Animal Answer Guide (The Animal Answer Guides: Q&A For The Curious Naturalist)



Synopsis

Did you know that most wild cat species are small and that lions, tigers, and other large cats are the exception? That adult bobcats, clouded leopards, and other small wild cats are completely asocial? And that they fight only as a last resort? This entertaining and informative book reveals these and hundreds of other facts about the behavior, biology, and conservation of the more than 30 small wild cat species. From bobcats to servals, small cats are spread across the globe. They range in size from the rusty-spotted cat and African black-footed cat, each of which weighs around 5 pounds when fully grown, to the Eurasian lynx, which can reach an adult weight of 60 pounds. These felids are elusive, some are nocturnal, others are arboreal, and all are rare and secretive, making them especially difficult to study. James G. Sanderson, the world's leading field expert on small wild cats, and naturalist and wildlife artist Patrick Watson provide informative and entertaining answers to common and unexpected questions about these animals. The authors explain why some small cats live on the ground while others inhabit trees, discuss the form and function of their coat types and colors, offer scientifically sound information on human-wild cat interactions, and even review the role that small wild cats have played in literature, religion, and mythology. The world of cats is as fascinating as it is diverse. *Small Wild Cats: The Animal Answer Guide* shows just how important and interesting the littlest of the nondomesticated feline family are.

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"A good general introduction on these wild cats." (Ian Paulsen Birdbooker Report)"A fascinating and informative book... full of fun information." (Wildlife Activist)"Johns Hopkins University Press has done it again with another outstanding publication in the Animal Answer Guide series. This one has all you need to know about the world's small cats." (Whit Gibbons Aiken Standard)"As the big cats (cheetahs, jaguars, leopards, lions, and pumas) tend to get the lion's share of attention in most books, a work specifically on small wild cats is welcome." (Choice)

James G. Sanderson is a Fellow of the Wildlife Conservation Network and the founder of the Small Cat Conservation Alliance. He is coauthor of *Wildlife Issues in a Changing World* and coeditor of *Landscape Ecology: A Top-down Approach*. Patrick Watson is a freelance wildlife artist, naturalist, and lifelong cat lover.

I'm a zoo docent and found this book fascinating since so many small cats aren't even available to see in zoos. It is written in a Q&A format which addresses all kinds of cat facts (how fast does a cat's heart beat?) common misperceptions (are cats pests?) and concerns that are as applicable to domestic cats (why do small cats get hit by cars) as they are to the ones in the wild. There are beautiful photos that drive home the point that we have to make room in our world for these beautiful creatures and even a chapter about cats in literature. The book would be appropriate for students of middle school age and up as well as the intended adult audience. If you are interested in cats from any perspective, you will love this book.

Not exactly what I was looking for. But highly informative.

Very well done, and an excellent reference. My only issue is that all the weight and size measurements are in metric only. Corresponding pounds and inches would be helpful.

Wonderful book very informative with beautiful color and black and white photos. If you like exotic cats you will adore this book.

Did not know, how many breeds of small wild cats, there are, all over the world, especially in the jungles. Many are seldom seen, and look like house cats.....

For those who are cat lovers and even those who aren't sure, this is a great resource for information

and general knowledge on cats. Thank you to the author.

The book is a great help in identifying the different cats found in the wild in the various parts of the world. Help a lot with the project I was working on.

Terrific! Very happy with this book. It made a great Christmas present!

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