

Animal Tracking Guide



SQUIRREL

Squirrels have a wide and blocky bounding pattern when compared to rabbits. If tracks are clear you may see the long skinny toes. Follow their tracks to a tree!



HOUSE CAT

They have 4 toes on their front and hind feet and tend to direct register walk (hind feet landing in the front tracks) when walking in snow.



DOMESTIC DOG

Look for 4-toes on each foot, claws that usually (but not always) show, and a triangular shaped heel pad.



DEER

Deer tracks are usually easy to identify. Look for heart shaped prints.



WILD TURKEY

They are impressively large, with 3 large, bulbous toes and a shorter back toe, which usually only registers as a claw impression.



COYOTE OR FOX

Fox prints are smaller than coyote. Both coyote and fox prints are oval in shape while dog prints are more round. They also have defined claw marks.



RABBIT

Look for the repeating bound patterns. Each group of 4 tracks tends to form a tall, thin rectangle.



RACCOON

They usually look like tiny human handprints! Five long digits, shaped much like four fingers and a thumb, make up the front foot.



MOUSE

Mice have four toes on their front feet and five on their hind feet. Mouse tracks are often accompanied by a visible trail from their tail dragging.