

	Species	Status*
<input type="checkbox"/>	Long-Tailed Weasel (<i>Mustela frenata</i>) Unique paired tracks sometimes observed in snow.	R
<input type="checkbox"/>	Mink (<i>Mustela vison</i>) Tracks seen along Passaic River, probably present year-round in small numbers.	R
<input type="checkbox"/>	Striped Sunk (<i>Mephitis mephitis</i>) Occasionally seen on the road.	R/N
<input type="checkbox"/>	White-tailed Deer (<i>Odocoileus virginianus</i>) Abundant; detrimental to the forest because of overbrowsing.	C

Signs of mammals, such as tracks, are seen more often than the mammals themselves, so it is useful to learn to identify tracks, scat, and other signs. Knowing when to look for animals also improves your chance of seeing them; look for mammals at dusk and dawn, when many species are most active.

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Mammal Checklist



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Mammals at the Scherman-Hoffman Wildlife Sanctuary:

Please report any interesting sightings of mammals at the Sanctuary to the front desk.

Mammal Checklist

	Species	Status*
<input type="checkbox"/>	Virginia Opossum (<i>Didelphis marsupialis</i>) Commonly seen as a road kill, occasionally find tracks.	C/N
<input type="checkbox"/>	Masked Shrew (<i>Sorex cinereus</i>) First seen and identified in Spring 1992 from 2 dead specimens.	R
<input type="checkbox"/>	N. Short-tailed Shrew (<i>Blarina brevicauda</i>) Abundant; sometimes seen under bird feeders.	C
<input type="checkbox"/>	Eastern Mole (<i>Scalopus aquaticus</i>) Tunnels seen every year.	C
<input type="checkbox"/>	Star-nosed Mole (<i>Condylura cristata</i>) First seen in 1975, again in 1985. Status unknown.	R

* Letters in "Status" column represent how often an animal is seen. Refer to the following table:

C - Common; seen in proper habitat at right time
 U - Uncommon; visitor to sanctuary, seen occasionally
 R - Rare; seen at sanctuary but not expected
 E - Extirpated;
 N - Nocturnal; usually seen hunting or feeding at night

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<input type="checkbox"/>	Little Brown Myotis (<i>Myotis lucifugus</i>) Occasionally found under eaves; often seen foraging at dusk.	C/N
<input type="checkbox"/>	Big Brown Bat (<i>Eptesicus fuscus</i>) Difficult to distinguish from Little Brown Myotis.	U/N
<input type="checkbox"/>	Red Bat (<i>Lasiurus borealis</i>) Migrant, especially in fall; possible summer resident.	R/N
<input type="checkbox"/>	Hoary Bat (<i>Lasiurus cinereus</i>) Possible sighting in Oct., presumably a migrant.	R/N
<input type="checkbox"/>	Eastern Cottontail (<i>Sylvilagus floridanus</i>) Common; sometimes at bird feeders.	C
<input type="checkbox"/>	Eastern Chipmunk (<i>Tamias striatus</i>) Common but cyclic, perhaps dependent on food supply. Hibernates.	C
<input type="checkbox"/>	Woodchuck (<i>Marmota monax</i>) Common, especially near fruiting trees. Hibernates.	C
<input type="checkbox"/>	Gray Squirrel (<i>Sciurus carolinensis</i>) Abundant in hardwoods; often seen at bird feeders.	C
<input type="checkbox"/>	Red Squirrel (<i>Tamiasciurus hudsonicus</i>) Live in Norway Spruces and surrounding trees along Hardscrabble Road.	U

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<input type="checkbox"/>	S. Flying Squirrel (<i>Glaucomys volans</i>) Present but seldom seen.	U/N
<input type="checkbox"/>	White-footed Mouse (<i>Peromyscus leucopus</i>) Probably most abundant mammal; in buildings, birdhouses, and holes.	C
<input type="checkbox"/>	Meadow Vole (<i>Microtus pennsylvanicus</i>) Uncommon in the wetter meadow areas.	R
<input type="checkbox"/>	Muskrat (<i>Ondatra zibethica</i>) Regular in Passaic River and neighbor's pond; occasional visitor to sanctuary.	U
<input type="checkbox"/>	Norway Rat (<i>Rattus norvegicus</i>) Sometimes seen under feeders; taken as prey by Red-tailed Hawk.	U
<input type="checkbox"/>	Red Fox (<i>Vulpes fulva</i>) Rarely seen, but tracks common in fields during snowy winters.	U/N
<input type="checkbox"/>	Gray Fox (<i>Urocyon cinereoargenteus</i>) Probably extirpated from the area; requires deep woods.	R or E/ N
<input type="checkbox"/>	Coyote (<i>Canis latrans</i>) Relatively new to the Sanctuary; sometimes heard howling in the valley at dusk, especially in Feb.	R
<input type="checkbox"/>	Raccoon (<i>Procyon lotor</i>) Feeds on trash, fruits and small animals. Sometimes seen at feeders or sleeping in tree dens.	C/N