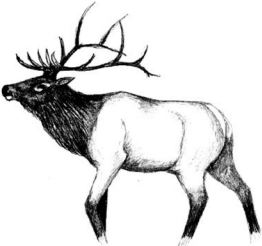



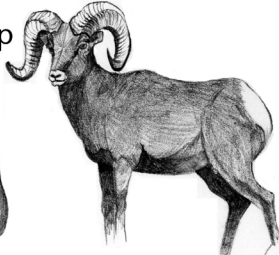
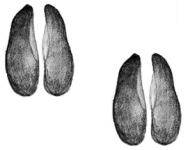


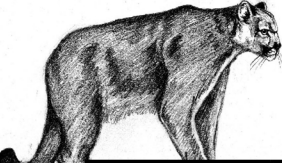





Tracks You May Find In Colorado

	TRACKS	CHARACTERISTICS	DIET	HABITAT	BREEDING	BEHAVIOR
<div>Elk (<i>Cervus elaphus</i>)</div> <div></div>	Fore and hind prints: Length: 3.2-5" (8.1-13 cm), Width: 2.5-4.5" (6.4-11 cm) Stride: Walking: 16-34" (41-86 cm) Galloping: 3.3-7.8 ft (1-2.4m)	Coat: Brownish-tan; yellowish rump; dark mane around neck Height: 4-5 feet Weight: 450-900 pounds <ul style="list-style-type: none">Males have long antlers that project over back	Herbivore-Grazer <ul style="list-style-type: none">Summer: GrassWinter: Grass, bark, twigs	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Summer: Alpine tundra and forestWinter: Low meadows and forestsMove up or down in elevation to where forage is available	Breed: Late September to mid-October Young born: May-June Litter size: 1 spotted calf Litters/Year: 1 Breeding age: Females: 2-3 years Males: 3-5 years	Nocturnal or crepuscular <ul style="list-style-type: none">Congregate in herds up to several hundred animals, except in breeding seasonLifespan: 20 years
<div>Mule Deer (<i>Odocoileus hemionus</i>)</div> <div></div>	Fore and hind prints: Length: 2-3.3" (5.1-8.4 cm), Width: 1.6-2.5" (4.1-6.4 cm) Stride: Walking: 10-24" (25-61 cm) Jumping: 9-19 ft (2.7-5.8 m)	Coat: Tan to grey with white throat and stomach; rope-like, black-tipped tail; large ears Height: 4-5 feet Weight: 200-400 pounds <ul style="list-style-type: none">Males have large antlers that project up and forward	Herbivore-Browser <ul style="list-style-type: none">Flowering plantsWoody vegetation in winterDo not compete with livestock or elk	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Summer: Foothills below timberlineWinter: Lower elevation shrublands and forestsMove up or down in elevation to where forage is availableOften near urban areas	Breed: October -December Young born: May-June Litter size: 2 spotted fawns Litters/Year: 1 Breeding age: 1 year	Nocturnal or crepuscular in warm weather; diurnal in winter <ul style="list-style-type: none">Form small herds which increase in size in winterLifespan: 10 years
<div>Bighorn Sheep (<i>Ovis canadensis</i>)</div> <div></div>	Fore and hind prints: L: 2.5-3.5" (6.4-8.9 cm), W: 1.8-2.5" (4.6-6.4 cm) Stride: Walking: 14-24" (36-61 cm)	Coat: Light brown, white rump and muzzle Height: 45 inches at shoulder Weight: 200-300 pounds Length: 4-6.5 ft, males larger than females	Herbivore-Browser <ul style="list-style-type: none">Flowering plantsGrassesLichen	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Mountainous, sparsely populated terrain and high hilly desertHigh mountain meadows and scree slopesMigrates below timberline in winter	Breed: Fall-early winter Young born: April-late June Litter size: 1 lamb Litters/year: 1 Breeding age: 1 year	Diurnal <ul style="list-style-type: none">Feeds early morning, midday and eveningLies down and chews cud between feeding timesHead butting contests by males in rut can last 20 hoursLifespan: 15 years
<div>Coyote (<i>Canis latrans</i>)</div> <div></div>	Fore print: (Hind print slightly smaller) L: 2.4-3.1" (6.1-7.9 cm), W: 1.6-2.4" (4.1-6.1 cm) Stride: Walking: 8-16" (20-41 cm) Gallop: 2.5-10ft (76 cm-3m)	Coat: Grey to reddish-brown Weight: 30-40 pounds Length: 4 feet <ul style="list-style-type: none">14-inch bushy tail with black tip	Omnivore <ul style="list-style-type: none">Mice, rabbits, birds, plants, other rodents, eggsLarge mammals (when hunting in packs)Carrion (dead animals)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Desert, prairie, shrubland, forestAgricultural and urban areas	Breed: January-March Young born: 2 months after fertilization Litter size: 4-6 pups Litters/year: 1 Breeding age: 1-2 years	Crepuscular , but can be seen at all times of the day <ul style="list-style-type: none">Form small packsRaise pups in burrow up to 20 feet deepCan run up to 40 mphLifespan: 10 years
<div>Mountain Lion (Cougar, Panther, Puma) (<i>Felis concolor</i>)</div> <div></div>	Fore print: (Hind print slightly smaller) Length: 3-4.3" (7.6-11 cm), Width: 3.3-4.8" (8.4-12 cm) Stride: Walking: 13-32" (33-81 cm) Bounding: to12 ft (3.7 m)	Coat: Reddish-beige with lighter undersides Height: 24-28 inches at shoulder Weight: 130 pounds or more Length: 6 feet or more <ul style="list-style-type: none">Long tail (32 inches) with black tip	Carnivore <ul style="list-style-type: none">Primarily deer, but will eat other animalsSurprise prey by stalking and chasing short distancesHide excess food for	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Foothills and canyonsBrushy areas and woodlandsAvoid forests and open areas where they can be seen by their preyLive in shallow caves or	Breed: Mostly spring, but can breed year-round Young born: Early spring Litter size: 2-3 spotted kittens Litters/year: 1 every other year Breeding age: Females: 2 years	Crepuscular <ul style="list-style-type: none">SolitaryKittens often confused for bobcat or lynx, but mountain lion kittens have long tailsLifespan: 18 years

