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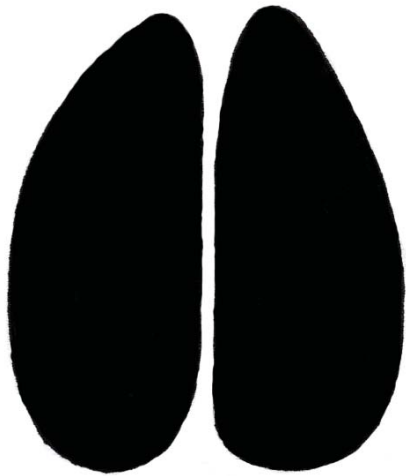
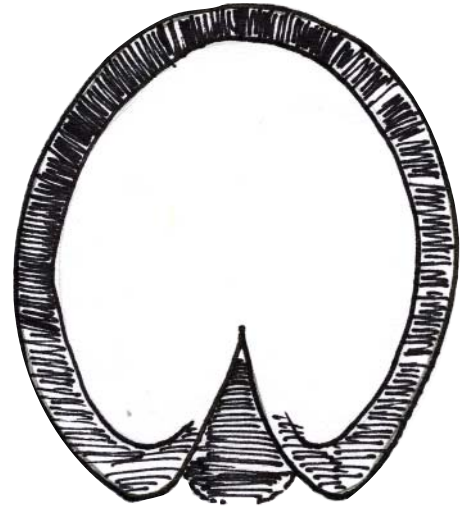
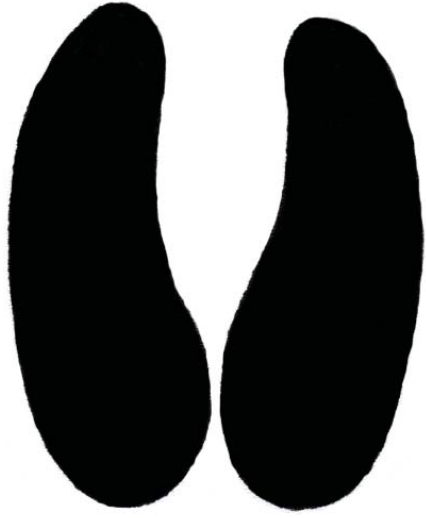
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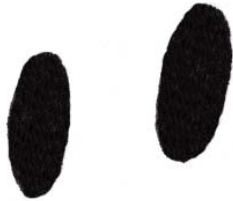
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What animal made this track?

Clues

This mammal has 4 legs.

It has hooves and sometimes wears metal shoes.

It leaves tracks that are about 6 inches long.

Humans like to ride this animal.

This animal weighs 900-1100 lbs depending on the breed.

It is an herbivore.

Horse

What animal made this track?

Clues

This mammal has 4 legs and has hooves.

It leaves tracks that are about 3.5 inches long.

This animal has a beard and horns.

This animal weighs 101-225 lbs depending on the breed.

It is an herbivore.

Domestic Goat

What animal made this track?

Clues

This mammal has 4 legs and has hooves.

It leaves tracks that are about 3 inches long.

The males of this species grow and shed antlers.

This animal weighs about 125 lbs.

It is an herbivore.

Deer

What animal made this track?

Clues

This mammal has 4 legs and has hooves.

It leaves tracks that are about 4 inches long.

These animals normally live on farms and are raised for their meat and wool.

This animal weighs 100-600 lbs depending on the breed.

It is an herbivore.

Domestic Sheep

What animal made this track?

Clues

This mammal has 4 short legs.

The front legs (with very long claws) are powerful and used for digging.

It leaves tracks that are about 2 inches long.

This animal lives in a burrow and eats worms and small invertebrates.

This animal weighs about 25 lbs.

It is a carnivore.

Badger

What animal made this track?

Clues

This mammal has 4 legs and it has a black coat with white stripes.

It leaves front tracks that are just under 1 inch long and hind tracks that are about 1.5 inches long.

It is well known for the strong smelling odor it gives off when it feels threatened.

It weighs between 6 and 14 lbs.

It is an omnivore.

Skunk

What animal made this track?

Clues

This mammal has 4 legs, long claws and a good sense of smell.

It leaves tracks that are about 7 inches long and 3 inches wide.

It lives in wooded areas and won't hesitate to break into your car or tent to steal any food it can smell.

This animal weighs about 800 lbs.

It is an omnivore.

Black Bear

What animal made this track?

Clues

This mammal is in the dog family.

It leaves tracks that are about 2.5 inches long.

This animal makes a high-pitched howl at night.

This animal weighs between 15 and 45 lbs.

It is an omnivore.

Coyote

What animal made this track?

Clues

This small mammal is found in nearly all of the United States and Mexico.

It leaves front tracks that are about 1 inch long and hind tracks about 3 inches long.

This animal has long soft ears and a small fluffy tail.

This animal weighs about 3 lbs.

It is an herbivore.

Brush Rabbit

What animal made this track?

Clues

This animal is a rodent.

It eats plants and animals especially bird's eggs.

It leaves tracks that are about 1 inch long and wide.

This species lives on the ground and has relatives that live in trees.

This animal weighs about 1.5 lbs.

It is an omnivore.

Ground Squirrel

What animal made this track?

Clues

This mammal is in the dog family.

It leaves tracks that are about 1.5 inches long and 1.5 inches wide.

Unlike its relatives, this species can climb trees.

It builds a den in hollow trees, stumps or the burrows of other animals.

This animal weighs between 8 and 11 lbs.

It is an omnivore.

Gray Fox

What animal made this track?

Clues

This rodent has 4 short legs.

It leaves tracks that can be up to 2 inches long and has long front claws.

It tunnels underground and leaves mounds of earth wherever it digs.

This animal weighs less than 0.5 lbs.

It is an herbivore.

Pocket Gopher

What animal made this track?

Clues

This mammal is in the cat family and is active at night.

It leaves tracks that are about 3 inches long by 3 inches wide.

These animals are very secretive and spotting one is a rare experience.

It is also known as a cougar or puma.

This animal weighs about 150 lbs.

It is a carnivore.

Mountain Lion

What animal made this track?

Clues

This mammal has 4 legs, a tail with no hair on it and it is a marsupial.

It leaves front tracks that are 2 inches by 2 inches and hind tracks that are 2 inches by 3 inches.

It eats a variety of foods from small mammals and fruit to carrion and garbage.

If threatened, it plays dead and gives off a foul stench.

It weighs between 6 and 14 lbs.

It is an omnivore.

Opossum

What animal made this track?

Clues

This mammal is in the Ring-tail family and looks like it is wearing a black mask.

It leaves front tracks that are just over 3 inches long and hind tracks just over 2 inches long.

It can often be found scavenging through trash or beachcombing for seafood.

This animal weighs between 8 and 20 lbs.

It is an omnivore.

Raccoon

What animal made this track?

Clues

This wildcat *Lynx rufus* is a mammal and is active at night - it is nocturnal.

It leaves rounded tracks that are just smaller than 2 inches long by 2 inches wide.

It is twice as big as a domestic cat and has a bobbed tail.

This animal weighs between 16 and 30 lbs.

It is a carnivore.

Bobcat

What animal made this track?

Clues

This small mammal is in the rodent family.

It leaves tracks that are just under 1 inch long.

Rodents continuously gnaw and so their top and bottom front teeth grow continuously.

This animal makes a bulky nest out of sticks and debris.

This animal weighs less than 0.5 lbs.

It is an omnivore.

Woodrat

What animal made this track?

Clues

This bird is medium sized with gray, white and black markings.

It leaves tracks that are about 3 inches long.

It has a longish, sturdy beak and webbed feet.

This bird is often considered a scavenger and a pest.

This animal weighs between 1.6 and 3.3 lbs.

It is an omnivore.

Gull

What animal made this track?

Clues

This shorebird has a long bill and probes around in the sand for food.

It leaves tracks that are about 1.25 inches long.

Beach-nesting species make a simple nest called a scrape.

This animal weighs about 2 lbs.

It is an omnivore.

Sandpiper

What animal made this track?

Clues

This large wading bird has beautiful, bluish-gray feathers on its back, wings and belly and a reddish or gray neck.

It leaves tracks that are about 6.5 inches long.

It stands up to 55 inches from head to tail.

It weighs between 4.6 and 7.3 lbs.

It is a carnivore.

Great Blue Heron

What animal made this track?

Clues

This is an aquatic bird that can be found in both fresh and salt water.

The tracks of this bird vary depending on the species, but are about 3 inches long.

It has short legs and webbed feet and waddles when it walks.

It weighs between 1.8 and 2.2 lbs depending on the species.

It is an omnivore.

Duck

What animal made this track?

Clues

This bird can be up to 4.5 feet long and eat up to 4 lbs of fish a day.

It leaves tracks that are about 5 inches long.

It has a long bill with a pouch below, which it uses to catch fish.

Its scientific name is *Pelecanis occidentalis*.

It weighs between 8 and 10 lbs.

It is a carnivore.

Pelican

What animal made this track?

Clues

This small shorebird makes a nest on the ground called a scrape.

It leaves tracks that are less than 1 inch long.

Under the Endangered Species Act, this bird was declared threatened.

The scientific name for this bird is *Charadrius alexandrinus nivosus*.

It weighs between 0.06 and 0.12 lbs.

It is a carnivore.

Snowy Plover

What animal made this track?

Clues

This bird has a bald, red head similar to a turkey and dark feathers.

It leaves tracks that are about 4 inches long.

This bird likes to eat carrion.

It weighs about 6.5 lbs.

It is a carnivore.

Turkey Vulture

What animal made this track?

Clues

This shorebird has orange-red rings around its eyes.

It leaves tracks that are about 1 inch long.

The parent bird uses a broken wing act to distract predators away from their nest.

It weighs about 0.25 lbs.

It is an omnivore.

Killdeer

What animal made this track?

Clues

This amphibian has 4 legs. The hind legs are normally longer than the front.

It has protruding eyes and webbed feet.

The smallest species in this group is 0.39 inches long and the largest is 11.8 inches long.

It is a carnivore.

Frog

What animal made this track?

Clues

This reptile has external ears, very good eyesight and mainly communicates using body language.

It has a tail and 4 legs.

It likes to sunbathe and moves quickly once warm.

The smallest species in this group is 0.63 inches long and the largest is 120 inches long.

It is a carnivore.

Lizard