



DESCRIPTION

Rabbits are a familiar mammal to everyone, with their soft, greyish brown fur and long, black whiskers.

TYPICAL HABITATS

Woodland, urban gardens, mountain moorland, farmland, grassland. They live in colonies in a system of burrows called a warren.

RANGE

Widespread across the British Isles.

FIELD SIGNS

Footprints

Tracks can be seen in mud and sand, but often easiest to identify in snow, as seen in the photo. Rabbit footprints are similar to hare, but smaller in size. Four pads on both fore and hind feet. Hind feet are often an elongated slipper shaped impression. Width 2.5cm, length 3.5cm.

Droppings

Droppings are often found in grassland habitats, field edges and hedgerows. May be found in dense collection of pellets on prominent feature (e.g. anthill). 10mm in diameter.

Colour: yellowish brown-green.

Smell: Sweet smelling, like a damp digestive biscuit with a hint of mown hay.

