

Badger

Badgers dig out bees' and wasps' nests to eat the larvae and food stores!

FUN FACT

Statistics

Size: Body 75-100cm

Tail 15cm

Weight: 8-9kg in spring

11-12kg in autumn

Family Groups

Badgers live in family groups, usually with 6 adults.

There may be over 20 adults!

Diet

Badgers eat mostly earthworms.

Sometimes they eat small mammals, even hedgehogs!

Also, beetles and berries.

Nocturnal

Badgers are active from dusk till dawn, sleeping all day.

Life

Badgers can live for up to 30 years!

In the wild, they usually only live for 5-8 years.

Females give birth to 2 or 3 cubs in February.

Habitat & Home

Badgers live in woods, gardens, towns, farms and moorland.

Badgers live underground in connecting tunnels and sleeping chambers. Their home is called a "sett".

Entrance holes are over 20cm wide.