

You've goat
questions, we've
goat answers.

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Mountain Goats can jump nearly 12 ft.
in a single bound

Kids are able to jump and hop within hours of
birth and can scramble over rough mountain
terrain by 4 days old.

total population=100,000

RANGE: The Rocky Mountain and coastal ranges
of northwestern North America

[Since the 1930s and '40s individuals have been
introduced into additional mountain ranges in
Oregon, Montana, Washington, South Dakota and
Colorado.]

The bearded lady

Both males [billies] and females
[nannies] have horns and beard-
like hair on their chins.

Mountain goats have cloven
hooves with two toes that
spread wide to improve
balance. Rough pads on
the bottom of each toe
provide the grip of a natural
climbing shoe.



GOATS vs. SHEEP

Family	Bovidae	Bovidae
Hair color	white	tan/brown/gray
Horns	Thin, black, swept back	Thick, curling

Goats will usually choose terrain that
is even steeper and more precipitous
than the favored terrain of sheep, up to
elevations of 13,000 ft.



YouTube

GOAT SHEEP GOAT - BANFF NATIONAL PARK

You'll never forget who's who again
after watching this music video by Parks
Canada's Mountain WIT.

The Greater Yellowstone Area
Mountain Ungulate Project is a
collaborative research initiative to
study the ecology and population
dynamics of bighorn sheep
and mountain goats throughout
the Yellowstone ecosystem.
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FAST FACTS

TYPE: Mammal

DIET: Herbivore

AVG. LIFE SPAN: 9 to 12 years

SIZE: Height at shoulder, 3.5 ft

WEIGHT: 100 to 300 lbs



KING
OF THE

MOUNTAIN