

White-tailed Deer

Odocoileus virginianus



IS THAT BABY ABANDONED?

Fawns have very little smell, so the best way for mom to hide them is to leave them alone for most of the day while she finds food for herself. Fawns will sleep quietly and wait for her to come back.

WHY ARE THERE SO MANY DEER?

They love what we've done with the place! We changed the landscape and ecosystem so much that our suburban neighborhoods are great for deer, while also removing their natural predators (like cougars and wolves).



WHY DO THEY EAT MY PLANTS?

You might have purchased some plants that are supposed to be "deer-proof" but deer eat them anyway! That's a sign that the deer population is far too big, and they are willing to eat almost anything they can find.



DID YOU KNOW?

The average deer eats 7 pounds of food per day. That's 2,550 pounds per year!



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