

Illustrated Handbook of Arctic Zoology

As the global threats of climate change increase, the wildlife that calls the Arctic home is increasingly endangered. Arctic animals such as polar bears and beluga whales have been thriving in this icy environment for centuries; but shrinking sea ice and rapidly warming oceans are dramatically impacting their ability to survive. These species play a critical role in the Arctic ecosystem. Others—including caribou, muskox, seals, and whales—play an important role in the diet of indigenous Arctic communities. Through the food chain, all Arctic animals (including humans) are connected.

The Illustrated Handbook of Arctic Zoology presents a history of the scientific understanding of arctic animals, discussing such topics as classification, animal behavior, menageries and genetics, and mythology. The animals include the reindeer, polar bear, Arctic fox, narwhal, walrus, seal, ox, moose, orca, and snowy owl. Animal life in the Arctic, compared with that of warmer parts, is poor in the number of species but often rich in individual numbers.

Features:

- This book provides the underlying concepts of Arctic zoology rather than the memorization of terminology from the field.
- Features more than 300 full-color photographs - plus detailed descriptions on each topic.
- Concise, comprehensible structure of the text allows readers to navigate the content with affluence.
- Wide-ranging glossary of key terms provides readers with the precise facts they need to clarity.

The book is designed for students and other professionals in the science disciplines, and most especially the life sciences.



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