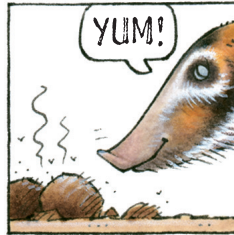


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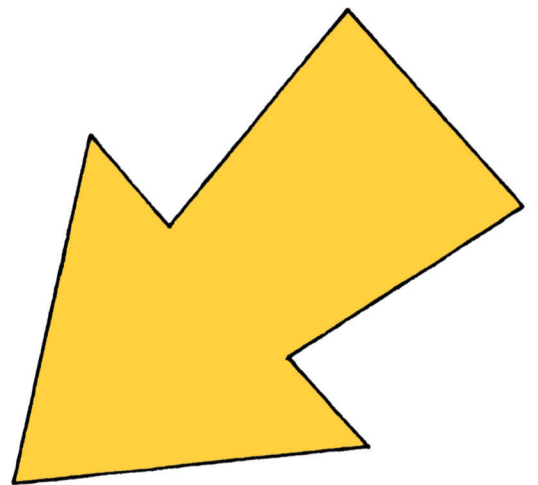


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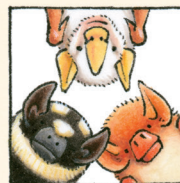
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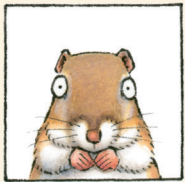


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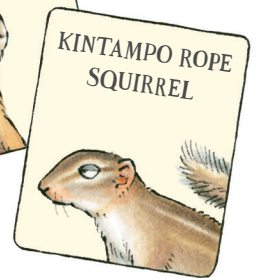
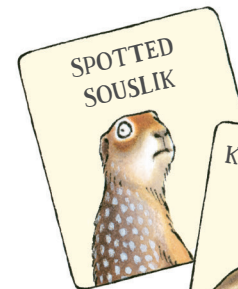
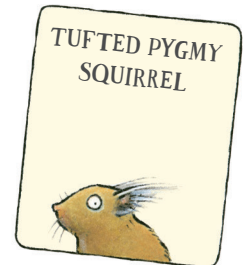
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# INTRODUCTION

**W**HAT'S YOUR FAVOURITE MONKEY? WHICH BAT IS BEST? IS one antelope more appealing than another? Of the twenty species of kangaroo rat, which do you prefer? What are your top ten squirrels?

Not sure? It's not surprising. There are thousands of different types of wild animal out there, each one with a name and a story all of its own. However, it seems that the only ones we hear about are the same famous few big-name animals – the elephants and zebras, the polar bears and pandas – animals with names that are so big there's no room for anything else. Until now . . .



Welcome to *Lesser Spotted Animals 2*. Just as *Lesser Spotted Animals* showed you some of the wonderfully wow wildlife we never get to see, this book tells the tales of even more of the world's unseen and unsung creatures. Creatures whose unfamiliar names have just as much right to be heard as the big names of the animal 'A' list.

Take those big-name, big-wig, big cats for example. Lions fill our picture books. Tigers are always on TV. Jaguars have become cars and Pumas are shoes.

You even spray Lynx in your armpits! They're all over the place!

Just like their famous, big-name animal friends. So much so

that when we think of animals we think of the BIG names – and only the big names. Then, when we think of nature conservation and saving animals, we think 'save the panda, save the lynx'. What about



all the others? There are roughly two hundred and eighty different sorts of squirrel alone. And although many of them are common, some are dangerously scarce and need help to survive. But how can we help something survive if we don't even know it exists?

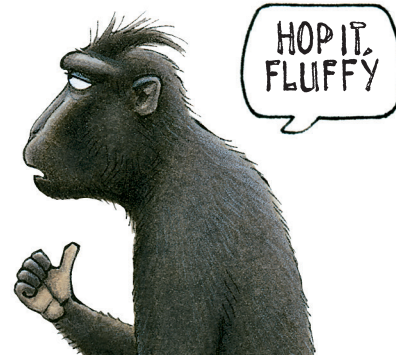


This book names the little guys so that when we think about the big wide world of wildlife, we think about *all* the animals – not just *some* of them. Endangered or everywhere, their names deserve to be known. So you won't find any king-of-the-jungle, fancy-pants lions here – we've got the magnificent maned wolf instead. No blue whales either, we've got beaked whales. And no giraffes, just gerenuks – and lorises and dingisos and dibatags and many, many more . . .

What's your favourite monkey? Read on. You might find out.



NO LIONS? YOU CAN'T DO THAT. I'M IN ALL THE WILDLIFE BOOKS



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