

Mountain Lion (Felis concolor)

Mountain lions are found in mountainous regions all over North America. They go by many names – cougars, pumas, panthers, and catamounts. They are big cats with adult males weighing as much as 200-250 pounds. They are very secretive and solitary preferring to avoid human contact. Their main prey is deer though they will eat a wide range of small mammals. Mountain lions are stalkers and can leap 20-23 feet from a standstill. They have a keen sense of sight especially in dim light-- six times better than humans.

Tonka

Tonka was trapped as a small cub in the Humboldt region of California. Despite Fish and Wildlife's efforts to return him to his mother, he had to be placed into a permanent home. He will move into our mountain lion enclosure as soon as he is old enough. He currently resides in our infirmary and can be viewed via our camera monitoring system. He enjoys playing ball and pouncing on anything that moves stealthily. [Back to Meet the Animals](#)

