

# FASCINATING FOX FACTS

The red fox is the world's most widely distributed wild carnivore



**scapegoat**

<1% of lamb losses can be directly attributed to foxes

The average British fox is only slightly bigger than a pet cat



**3-4  
DAYS**

When a fox dies, another fox occupies the vacant territory in 3-4 days

By feeding on rabbits, rural foxes save British crop farmers around **£7 million**/year



Rural fox numbers have remained around **225,000** for 10 years

Breeding foxes often form a pair bond that lasts for life



**100  
grams**

Newborn fox cubs are blind, deaf and weigh only 100 grams. They depend on their mother for food and warmth

Young foxes often stay with their parents for a few years and help raise future cubs



Foxes use 28 different vocal calls to communicate with each other

Foxes don't waste food. If they find or kill more than they can eat they bury or hide (cache) it to eat later



Foxes belong to the dog family (Canidae) and use similar facial expressions and body postures, like wagging their tail when they greet family members

To find out more about foxes visit [foxycology.org.uk](http://foxycology.org.uk)

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