

## Why are they at risk?

There are 3 reasons the snow leopard is endangered .The first reason is that people use their bones, organs and skin in medicine. The second reason is that people are pushing even further into the snow leopard's habitat .The final reason is that livestock eat all of the grass leaving less food for the snow leopard's prey .With less food for its prey its numbers decrease.



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## Snow Leopard



**Panthera uncia**

**Description:** The snow leopard has pale green or gray eyes, and they have smoky-gray fur with dark gray spots.

**Diet:** The snow leopard eats wild boar, gazelle, rabbits, mice, sheep and deer.

**Size and Weight:** The snow leopard can weigh from 60 to 120 pounds. They are about 4 to 5 feet long, and their tail is 36 inches long.

### **How can you help save the snow leopard?**

You can help save the snow leopard by donating money towards conservation work or you can help protect their habitat permanently in national parks, nature reserves or wilderness areas.

### **Interesting facts about the snow leopard**

The snow leopard can jump as far as 46 feet. They have a long tail for balancing. They have strong legs that they use for leaping. Snow leopards are considered nocturnal. They are solitary animals. They also wrap their tail around their face when they sleep. Their scientific name is *Panthera uncia*.

