

My Backyard Mammal Safari

Lesson 7.7 · Mammal Safari (Module Finale)
Grand Outdoor Mission



Kitimu says...

This is it, Ranger — your big finale! You've learned everything about mammals. Now go on a REAL safari in your own backyard, park or street. Log every mammal and every clue, just like a field ranger. Earn your Mammal Master Badge! Let's go, Cub!



WHAT YOU NEED



Garden, park or street



Safari logbook / notebook



Binoculars (optional)



Camera or phone



A quiet time of day



Your worksheet



YOUR MISSION

- Plan your safari.** Choose your 'reserve' — your garden, a park, or your street. Pick a calm time (early morning or late afternoon are best, just like real game drives). Tell an adult where you're going.
- Move like a ranger.** Walk slowly and quietly. Stop often. Look up (trees, roofs), down (grass, holes) and all around. Use your ears too — rustles, squeaks and scratches are all clues.
- Log every mammal.** For each mammal you see OR find evidence of (fur, tracks, droppings, burrows, chewed food), write in your logbook: **what, where, what it was doing**, and the **time**.
- Use ALL your skills.** For each mammal, note: is it a grazer or browser? Where is it on the food chain? Does it eat insects? You're using everything you learned this whole module!
- Count your species.** Add up how many **different** mammals (or mammal signs) you found. That's your safari species count — real rangers keep exactly these lists to protect wildlife.
- Earn your badge.** Found and logged 3 or more mammals or signs? You've completed the Mighty Mammals module — you're officially a **Mammal Master**! Sign and date your logbook, Ranger.

RANGER TIP

The best safaris are slow. Sit still in one spot for five quiet minutes and watch what comes to you — you'll see far more than by rushing around.

KEEP GOING

A safari is never really finished. Keep your logbook and add to it all year — that's how real conservationists track the wild around them.

My safari species count & favourite sighting:



Photograph your safari logbook and share your species count in the Junior Rangers WhatsApp group!