

Know Your Vole



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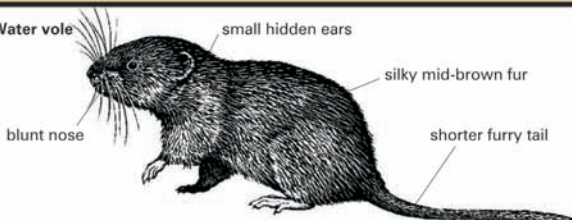


Water voles are the UK's fastest declining mammal. They live along lakes, rivers, ditches and streams feeding on vegetation. Preyed on by mink and suffering the loss of their riverbank homes, their numbers have fallen dramatically. Urgent conservation action is needed to stop this charismatic creature becoming extinct.

Many people mistake water voles for brown rats and accidentally poison them or disturb their homes. The key is to really know when a water vole is a water vole and not a rat!

Follow our tips to "Know Your Vole"

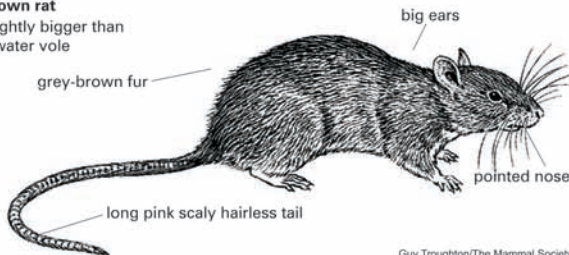
Water vole



Water voles can be confused with brown rats which are often found near water.

Brown rat

Slightly bigger than a water vole



Guy Troughton/The Mammal Society

Help us to help the water vole. If you see a water vole please complete and return the slip below. www.wildlifetrust.org.uk/herts

Name: _____

Address: _____

Postcode: _____

Tel no: _____ email: _____

Name of pond/river/stream/lake/canal: _____

Location (nearest town/village): _____

Grid reference (if known): _____ Date: _____

Comments: _____

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