

# Mammals

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Joshua Tree National Park

This list of mammals includes both park natives and species, such as house mice, that have arrived with increased human occupation. It was compiled by Harold DeLisle, Ph.D. for the National Park Service Inventory and Monitoring Project. The taxonomy used is that of Mammals of California, UC Davis, 2000; and MVZ (UC Berkeley listings).

Abundance:

Common — C

Uncommon — U

Rare — R

Species of Concern:

Federal — F

State — S

Both — B

## Badgers, Skunks, Weasels

American Badger low desert U

*Taxidea taxus berlandieri*

Western Spotted Skunk rocky canyons U

*Spilogale gracilis gracilis*

Long-tailed Weasel western park R

*Mustela frenata latirosta*

## Bats

California Desert Bat parkwide C

*Myotis californicus stephensi*

Desert Long-legged Bat (F) pinyon-juniper U

*Myotis volans interior*

Northern Fringed Bat (F) pinyon-juniper U

*Myotis thysanodes thysanodes*

Western Pipistrelle parkwide C

*Pipistrellus hesperus hesperus*

Desert Big Brown Bat parkwide C

*Eptesicus fuscus pallidus*

Hoary Bat trees U

*Lasiurus cinereus cinereus*

Western Yellow Bat palm oases U

*Lasiurus xanthinus*

Spotted Bat (B) cliffs R

*Euderma maculatum*

Western Big-eared Bat (B) mines C

*Corynorhinus townsendii townsendii*

Pallid Bat (S) parkwide C

*Antrozous pallidus minor*

Western Mastiff Bat (B) cliffs U

*Eumops perotis*

California Leaf-nosed Bat (B) mines U

*Macrotus californicus*

## Bears

California Black Bear occasional migrant U

*Ursus Americanus californianus*

## Canids

Desert Coyote parkwide C

*Canis latrans mearnsi*

Desert Kit Fox desert flats C

*Vulpes macrotis arsipus*

Common Gray Fox rocky canyons & outcrops C

*Urocyon cinereoargenteus scottii*

## Cats

California Mountain Lion mountains U

*Felis concolor californica*

Desert Bobcat rocky canyons & outcrops C

*Lynx rufus baileyi*

## Ringtails

California Ringtail rocky areas U

*Bassariscus astutus ocatvus*

## Deer & Sheep

Southern Mule Deer (Blacktail) mountains C

*Odocoileus hemionus fuliginatus*

Desert Bighorn Sheep mountains U

*Ovis canadensis nelsoni*

## Rabbits & Hares

Southern Desert Cottontail parkwide C

*Sylvilagus audubonii arizonae*

Desert Blacktail Jackrabbit mesas & flats C

*Lepus californicus deserticola*

## Rodents

Dusky Chipmunk pinyon-juniper C

*Tamias obscurus davisii*

Whitetail Antelope Squirrel Parkwide C

*Ammospermophilus leucurus leucurus*

California Ground Squirrel rocky areas C

*Otospermophilus beecheyi parvulus*

Mojave Roundtail Ground Squirrel low desert C

*Spermophilus tereticaudus tereticaudus*

Mojave Pocket Gopher loose deep soil C

*Thomomys bottae mojavensis*

Coachella Pocket Gopher loose deep soil C

*Thomomys bottae rupestris*

Eastern Spiny Pocket Mouse low desert C

*Perognathus spinatus spinatus*

Pallid (San Diego) Pocket Mouse open desert C

*Chaetodipus fallax pallidus*

Narrow-nosed (Desert) Pocket Mouse low desert C

*Chaetodipus penicillatus angustirostris*

Mojave Little Pocket Mouse open desert C

*Perognathus longimembris longimembris*

Long-tailed Pocket Mouse mountains C

*Chaetodipus formosus mojavensis*

Western Chisel-toothed Kangaroo Rat <i>Dipodomys microps occidentalis</i>	Stubbe Spring	R
Merriam's Kangaroo Rat <i>Dipodomys merriami merriami</i>	parkwide	C
Desert Kangaroo Rat <i>Dipodomys deserti</i>	low desert	C
Desert Harvest Mouse <i>Reithrodontomys megalotis megalotis</i>	Keys View	R
Desert Wood Rat <i>Neotoma lepida lepida</i>	parkwide	C
Eastern Dusky-footed Wood Rat <i>Neotoma fuscipes simplex</i>	high elevations	U
White-throated Wood Rat <i>Neotoma albigula venusta</i>	rocky areas	U
Southern Brush Mouse <i>Peromyscus boylii rowleyi</i>	Lost Horse/Queen Valley	U
Desert Canyon Mouse <i>Peromyscus crinitus stephensi</i>	rocky canyons	C
Cactus Mouse <i>Peromyscus eremicus eremicus</i>	mesas, foothills, washes	C
Sonoran Deer Mouse <i>Peromyscus maniculatus sonoriensis</i>	parkwide	U
Southern California Pinyon Mouse <i>Peromyscus truei chlorus</i>	pinyon-juniper	U
Desert Grasshopper Mouse <i>Onychomys torridus pulcher</i>	parkwide	C
House Mouse <i>Mus musculus domesticus</i>	human areas	C
<b>Shrews</b>		
Desert Shrew (Gray) <i>Notiosorex crawfordi crawfordi</i>	west park	R