

Meet the **Wolf Family**



Wolves do not like to eat people.

Wolves do like to eat deer.

Wolves do not like to eat grandmothers.

Deer are bigger than people.

One deer can feed a family of wolves.

Wolves do not like to live alone.

Wolves like to live in packs.

Some packs are big.

Some packs are small.

Some packs have two wolves.

Some packs have 20 wolves.

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Each pack has two leaders.

One is the alpha male. He is the king.

One is the alpha female. She is the queen.

The alphas stay together for life.

Only the alphas have cubs.

They are born in spring.

They are born in a den.

The den is underground.

The den is safe.

Wolves help each other.

Wolves hunt together.

Wolves watch the cubs together.

Wolves teach the cubs how to hunt.



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Wolves do not like to eat people.

Wolves prefer to eat deer.

Wolves do not like to eat grandmothers.

Deer have more meat than people do.

One deer can feed a family of wolves.

Wolves live together in packs.

Wolves do not like to live alone.

Some packs are small. Some packs are big.

Big packs can have more than 20 wolves.

Two wolves lead the pack.

One is the alpha male. He is the king.

The other is the alpha female. She is the queen.

Alphas stay together for life.

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The alphas have cubs each spring.

The cubs are born in a den.

The den is underground.

Wolves help each other.

They hunt together.

They take care of the cubs together.

They teach the cubs how to hunt.



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Fairy tales give wolves an unfair reputation. In fairy tales, wolves are mean, grandmother-eating machines. In real life, wolves are very different. First of all, most wolves would much rather eat a deer. Deer have much more meat on them than people. One deer can feed an entire family of hungry wolves.

Unlike the monsters in fairy tales, wolves do not like to live alone. Wolves live in family groups called packs. Packs range in size from two to more than 20 wolves.

A male wolf and a female wolf lead the pack. They are called the alpha male and alpha female. This couple stays together for life. They rule the pack like a king and queen.

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Only the alphas have cubs. Cubs are born each spring in an underground den. The den protects them from harm and they stay inside for the first few weeks of life. As they grow, they begin to explore outside the den, but can always run back to the safety of their den.

Each wolf has a different role within the pack. Wolves depend on and take care of their pack members. Packs hunt together, they take turns babysitting the cubs, and they all help teach the cubs how to hunt.

