

Why do some animals change color in the winter and others don't?

During the winter animals need to blend in with their not-so-colorful surroundings. Some animals' fur will stay the same, while others will change color.



The colors in their habitat have changed to colors such as brown, white, and grey with occasional green. To be able to blend in, animals will change to similar colors.



Blending in with the environment is known as **camouflage**.

This is the first line of defense against predators. Most of the time, a hidden animal doesn't get discovered until it moves.

Camouflage can also be useful for hunting. A predator being able to sneak up on its prey is important.

A predator can come close before it attacks its prey!



Patterns can also help an animal camouflage. Turkeys have patterns on their feathers. This helps them blend in with dead tall grasses and fallen trees.

Eye Spy Color In Winter

So many colors in winter! Take a walk outside — how many colors you can you spy?

