

WILDEBEEST

The wildebeest is a large antelope. There are two species, or types, of wildebeest: the common wildebeest and the black wildebeest. There are many more common wildebeests than black wildebeests. Wildebeests are also called gnu.

Wildebeests live only in Africa. Common wildebeests are found in grasslands throughout the southern half of Africa, particularly on the continent's eastern side. Black wildebeests are found only in the grasslands and shrublands of South Africa.



Wildebeests are herd animals. They migrate, or move from place to place, in search of food and water. Wildebeests feed on grasses. Adults usually mate in June. Calves are born eight months later. Calves follow their mothers soon after they are born.



1. What are the types of wildebeests?

2. Where do wildebeests live?

3. What do wildebeests eat?

