

# Water vole

The water vole is usually found along well vegetated banks of slow flowing rivers, ditches, burns and lochs. They live in burrows and eat grass and waterside vegetation.

They are rat sized with a blunt nose, dark chestnut-brown or black fur, short rounded ears and a fur covered tail.

Size – 14-22 cm.

Populations declined 94% in Britain, partially due to predation by American mink.

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