

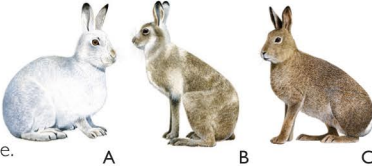


# Community Science

## Hare Survey



Help us to understand how moorlands are being affected by climate change.

If you see any hares or rabbits please tell us when and where.

		Date	Where? (provide as much detail as possible e.g. postcode, place name or grid reference)	How many of each animal have you seen?	Coat colour? (A,B or C)	Snow? (was there: total cover, patchy cover or no cover)
<b>Mountain Hare (<i>Lepus timidus</i>)</b> e.g.		16/02/15	Kinder, SK 097 873	2	A	patchy cover
<b>Head and body size:</b> Around 50cm. <b>Coat:</b> Brownish-grey in summer and white in winter. All white tail. <b>Head:</b> Ears same length as head with slight black tips. Brown eyes. <b>Behaviour:</b> Usually seen in pairs or alone.						
<b>Brown Hare (<i>Lepus europaeus</i>)</b>						
<b>Head and body size:</b> Around 55cm. <b>Coat:</b> Reddy-brown all year. Tail black on top, white underneath. <b>Head:</b> Very long black-tipped ears, twice length of head. Golden eyes. <b>Behaviour:</b> Seen in pairs or alone.						
<b>Rabbit (<i>Oryctolagus cuniculus</i>)</b>						
<b>Head and body size:</b> Around 40cm. <b>Coat:</b> Light brown coat all year round. <b>Head:</b> Ears same length as head. Dark brown eyes. <b>Behaviour:</b> Found in groups. Only species that burrows.						

**Why are we interested?** These species may be found in different places as the climate changes. Moorland species such as Mountain Hares may become more vulnerable in their bright white coats if winter snowfall reduces.

Please submit your records through [www.moorsforthefuture.org.uk/community-science/submit-results](http://www.moorsforthefuture.org.uk/community-science/submit-results) or post this card. If you were unlucky this time please tell us you tried and have another go next time!

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