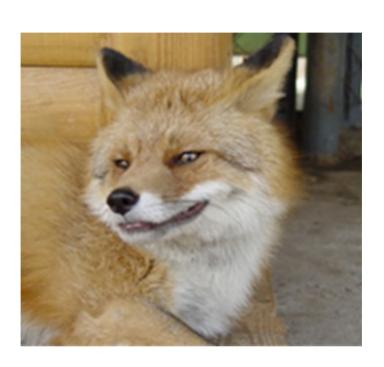


## Brown bears

Two brown bears - Masha and Balu - have lived in the Zoo garden since 2002. They live in a spacious place with two dens and a swimming pool. They prefer to live in one den, though. Every winter they sleep, and every new spring they come out with a baby bear. They are much like humans - they look after each other and their babies carefully and like to play a lot.

Diva (wonder) is their first baby, it got its name, because zookeepers wondered a lot, when they saw a small baby bear waddling after its parents. Diva is very smart. When it hears the zookeepers coming to feed it, it goes to a special feeding place and moves a heavy metal box forward. When the food is in the box, it moves it back. This cooperation is very convenient, because the feeding box is very heavy for people.



## **Foxes**

There are several foxes living in the zoo garden. All of them were brought by the residents of Khabarovsk. Some of them lost their parents, some of them came to the city.

Foxes are relatives of a dog, they are smart and can be easily tamed. In winter they are especially beautiful and the visitors admire them a lot.

Egor the fox lives in the zoo garden. His story is very interesting. A woman found this baby fox near her country house. In summer it lived in the garden, the woman fed it and looked after it. They became friends. When winter came, she couldn't take Egor home and brought it to the zoo garden. Egor missed its friend very much and jumped at every person who came into his place. He was so happy to see people and wanted to play! It, like a pet, liked its owner and its home.

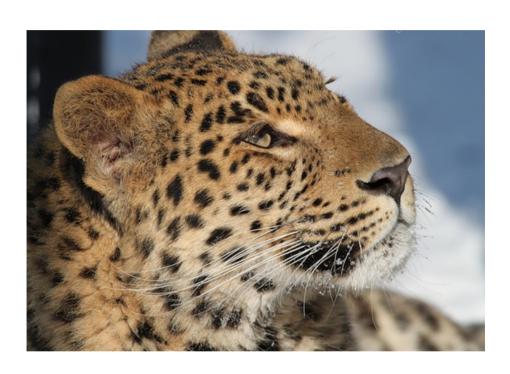


## Amur forest cat

Can you see this cute cat? It looks like a usual home pet people like to keep in their houses, but, it fact, it is very serious, wild and furious. Even kittens are strong and aggressive. When it's time to vaccinate the cats, three people come to the place. This little threemonth old kitten can scratch you seriously! It is about 90 cm long - with a tail, and the tail is long, about 40 cm. In the forest they hunt mice and birds.

There are two forest cat in the zoo garden – Markiz and Waltera. They came from Novosibirsk.

There used to be one more cat – Miledi. People caught it when it hunted chickens and hens, and brought it to the zoo. In the zoo garden Miledi became mother three times. She was a very caring and loving mother.



## Leopard

When this far eastern cat appeared in summer of 2010, the zoo garden got a real jewel. This cat is very rare. People named it Stephen. It moves fast (in fact, leopards are one of the fastest animals in the world – it can run at 50-60 km per hour) and absolutely silently. It is beautiful and perfect. Its colouring helps Stephen to hide, so it's not easy to see it at once. One more amazing fact: every leopard has its own unique colouring, like the fingerprints of a person. There are no two cats that are the same.

When a baby leopard is born, it weighs only 500 grams! When it's an adult, it weighs 100 times more. How much? Can you count?

It's very sad, but there are only about 30 leopards on our planet.

# Read the texts and match the animal with the fact:

# a fox (2), a brown bear (3), a leopard (3), an amur forest cat (2)

This animal has a place to swim.

This animal missed its owner

This animal had babies three times.

There are only about thirty animals left.

This animal weighs about 50 kg

This animal came from another city.

It's not easy to see this animal because of its colouring.

This animal sleeps every winter.

This animal helps people to look after itself

Dogs are relatives of this animal.

# Choose true (T), false (F) or not stated (NS) for the sentences

Masha and Balu don't like each other.

The bears have babies in summer.

People are happy, when Diva helps them to feed it.

Foxes are especially beautiful from December till February.

Egor didn't like its first owner.

When leopard moves, it makes a lot of noise.

Leopard is in danger, because there are no many of them left.

Baby leopard weighs half a kilogram.

Amur forest cats eat berries and corn.

Markis and Waltera were born in Khabarovsk.

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