

European Beaver (*Castor fiber*)

Size: 100 - 140 cm

Weight: 18 - 20 kg

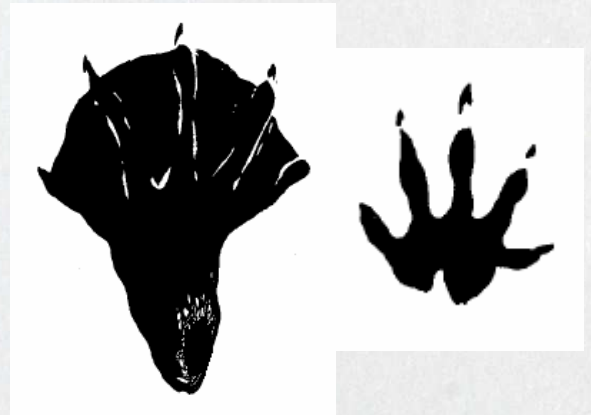
Lifespan: 7 - 8 years

Diet: Herbivorous
including water plants
and tree bark.

Habitat: Water courses

Predators: Man

Status: vulnerable



o They are Europe's largest native rodent.

o Baby beavers are called kits.

o They slap their large, flat tails on the water when there is danger.

o They were hunted for special oil (castoreum) used in making perfume and medicine.

o They can stay under water for up to 15 minutes.

