



















Animal Meanings









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Animal	Symbol	Meaning
Alligator		Maternal, revenge oriented, quickness, aggression, stealth, efficiency, basic survival instincts.
Ant		Group minded, determination, patient, active, purposeful, unity, self sacrifice and industrious.
Anteater		Lethargy, curiosity, nosiness, ability to smell out trouble, rooting around for solutions, finding the lost.
Antelope		Active, agile, jumpiness, keen eyesight, survival, willing to sacrifice, mental clarity, intuitive, protective.
Armadillo		Safety, grounded, sensitivity to attack, strong boundaries, trusting, reclusive, neutral, peaceful.
Badger		Courage, aggressive, healer, problems relating to others, energy conduit, determined, focused, confident.
Bat		Rebirth, longevity, secrecy, initiation, good listener, long life, illusion, journeying, inner depth.

Bear		Industrious, instinctive, healing, power, sovereignty, guardian of the world, watcher, courage, will power, self-preservation, introspection, and great strength.
Beaver		Determined, strong-willed, builder, overseer, dreamer, protector, builder, motion, subconscious.
Bee		Organized, industrial, productive, wise, community, celebration, fertility, sweetness, defensiveness, obsessive nature, and enjoys life.
Boar/Pig		A very powerful totem – prosperity, spiritual strength, organized, balanced complacency and activity, fearless.
Buffalo		Sacredness, life, great strength, abundance, gratitude, consistency, blessings, stability.
Bull		Insight into the past, fertility, raw expression, rushing into things, confidence, strength, provision.
Butterfly		Metamorphosis, transformation, balance, grace, ability to accept change, lightness, soul, vulnerability.
Camel		Survival, endurance, obedience, nobility, positive, accomplishment, adaptive, temperance, humility.

Caribou		Traveler, mobility, preference to be nomadic, adaptability to adversity, sensitivity, guidance, surety.
Cat		Guardianship, detachment, sensuality, mystery, magic, independence, astute, watchful.
Cheetah		Swiftness, insight, focus, brotherhood, self-esteem, acceleration, elusiveness.
Cougar		Leadership, loyalty, courage, taking responsibility, foresight, sensing danger, awareness.
Cow		Love of home, community, contentment, joy, easy going, patience, grounded, fertility.
Coyote		Trickster, intelligence, stealth, wisdom and folly, guile, innocence, skill.
Cobra		Swift and decisive, power of life and death, transformation, energy, connected to eternity.
Crab		Good luck, moves sideways, savvy, unorthodox, relaxed, cycles.

Crane		Solitude, justice, longevity, independent, intelligent, vigilant, focus.
Crocodile		Ensuring your emotions are displayed accurately/appropriately.
Crow		Magical, shape shifting, change, creativity, spiritual strength, inelegancy, energy, higher perspective.
Deer		Compassion, peace, intellectual, gentle, caring, kind, subtlety, gracefulness, femininity, gentleness, innocence, and seller of adventure.
Dog		Noble, faithful, loyal, teaching, protection, guidance, obedience, sensory perception.
Animal	Symbol	Meaning
Dolphin		Kind, salvation, wisdom, happiness, playfulness, prudent, capable of deep emotion, and happy.
Dove		Cross-world communication, spirit messenger, peace, gentleness, love.
Dragon		Longevity, richness, prosperity, infinity, wisdom, power, fiery, mythic.

Dragonfly		Flighty and carefree, strong imagination, higher aspirations, lightness, joy, transformation.
Duck		Water energy, helper of seers, affectionate, community oriented, can clearly see/deal with emotions.
Eagle		Divine spirit, sacrifice, connection to creator, intelligence, renewal, courage, illumination of spirit, healing, creation, freedom, and risk-taker.
Elephant		Strength, power, affection, loyalty, royalty, wisdom, reliability, sense of history, pride.
Elk		Strength, agility, pride, majestic, independence, purification, nobility, sensual.
Falcon		New beginnings, adventure, passionate, leadership, rising above, guardianship, superiority, prophecy.
Fish		Graceful, slyness, open-minded, quick to change one's mind, fertility, good luck, happiness.
Flamingo		Heart healing, psychic, people person, flirtatious, colorful, open, power of illusion.

Fox		Cunning, agility, quick-witted, diplomacy, wildness, feminine magic of camouflage, shape-shifting and invisibility.
Frog		Water, cleansing, rebirth, sensitivity, medicine, hidden beauty, peace, adaptability, metamorphosis.
Gazelle		Awareness, speed, grace, eagerness, lightness, overcomes vulnerability, alert.
Giraffe		Intelligence, intuition, attaining the unreachable, sees the future, elegance, cleverness, beauty.
Goat		Surefootedness, stubbornness, independence, diligence, in the moment, aloofness, virility, sturdiness.
Goose		Self-demanding, reliable, prudent, rigid, vigilance, parenthood, productive, teamwork, fellowship.
Gorilla		Family-oriented, intelligence, strength, environmental protector, keeps peace through aggression.
Grasshopper		Good luck, abundance, forward, progressive, virtuous, forward thinking, creative.
Grouse		Personal power, enlightenment.

Hawk		Messenger, intuition, victory, healing, nobility, recollection, cleansing, visionary power, and guardianship.
Heron/Egret		Aggressive, self-determined, self-reliant, multi-tasking, balanced, calm, present, independent.
Hippopotamus		Power, creation, imagination, healing, birth, mother-fury, protection of family, emotion depth.
Horse		Freedom, stamina, mobility, the land, travel, power, freedom, grace, nobility.
Hummingbird		Messenger, timelessness, healing, warrior, energy, vitality, infinity, affection, playfulness.
Jaguar		Chaos, shape-shifter, aggressiveness, power, confidence, manifestation, breath.
Kangaroo		Forward, balance, creative, stamina, leaping away from danger, nurturing, generous.
Lion		Family, strength, energy, courage, guardian, protector, ferocity, authority.
Lizard		Conservation, vision, self-protection, hidden defenses, shrewdness, variation.

Llama		Comforting to others, secure, responsible, strength, adaptation, hard work, curiosity.
Lynx		Keeper of secrets, guardian, listener, guide, aware, intuitive, unconventional.
Meerkat		Community, precise vision, good boundaries, lively, courageous, intuition, heart energy.
Mole		Sensitivity, guidance, searching, extended senses, underworld, hidden treasure, digger.
Mongoose		Good boundaries, good defense, courage, cleansing, heart-forward, rebellious, impulsive, authentic.
Monkey		Ability to change the environment, health, success, light and dark, communication, swiftness, energy.
Moose		Headstrong, longevity, steadfastness, wisdom, self-esteem, primal feminine energy, crown chakra.
Mouse		Innocence, scrutiny, order, organizer, eye for details, grounded, super-aware, temerity.
Octopus		Intelligence, camouflage, nocturnal.

Opossum		Smart, clever, sensible, grounded, group-minded, proper use of deception, strategic, surprising.
Ostrich		Grounded, practical, avoidant, spiritual truth, understands denial, truth and justice.
Otter		Playful, friendly, dynamic, joy, helpfulness, sharing, love of young, sensibility without suspicion.
Owl		Wisdom, deception, intuition, insight, messenger, mystery, freedom, secrets, stealth, vision.
Ox		Sacrifice, chastity, faith, humble, self-denial, enduring, strong, magical.
Panther		Protection, hidden emotions, introspection, caution, careful decisions, multi-dimensional, dark and light.
Parrot		Communication, beauty, guide for wisdom, mockery, language, prophecy, verbosity, promise.
Peacock		Immortality, dignity, self-confidence, self-esteem, knowledge, refinement, beauty, sexuality, pride.
Pelican		Resilient, unselfish, rising above, friendliness, responsible, safety, camaraderie, bounty.

Penguin		Self-discipline, order, purpose, community-minded, grace, self-confidence, spiritual.
Porcupine		Innocence, companionship, trust, curious, imagination, good-natured, non-interference.
Prairie Dog		Swiftness, industrious, constructive, preparedness, common goals, retreat, family, digger.
Puma		Companion on journeys to other worlds, grace, silent power
Quail		Group-work, team play, creator of harmony and group tolerance, protectiveness (especially toward children)
Rabbit		Fertility, artistic, in motion, hyper vigilant, joyful, lives by own wits, steps through fear.
Raccoon		Curiosity, disguise, explorer, secret, night vision, cleanliness, dexterity, seeker.
Ram		Stoic, sensitive, persevering, curious, imaginative, new beginnings, change, life force.
Rat		Fertility, stealth, scavenging, intelligence, enjoys luxury, intelligent, wealth, success, drive.

Raven		Magical, introspective, self-realized, courageous, transformational, messenger, psychic, divination.
Rhinoceros		Wisdom, solitary, insightful, solid, good judgment, paradox, stamina, freedom, longevity.
Roadrunner		Mental agility, speed, opportunistic, multi-tasking, energy, busy, accomplishment.
Rooster		Persistence, honesty, strength, flamboyant, upward reaching, eager, cocky, watchful.
Salmon		Proud, intense, confident, wisdom, inspiration, can swim upstream, rebirth, determined, spiritual desire.
Scorpion		Transforming, strong, inspiring, chaotic, passionate, altered perception, death and rebirth, seduction.
Seagull		Versatility, loud, easy-going nature, creativity, laziness, resourceful, opportunistic, freedom.
Seahorse		Confidence and grace
Seal		Love, longing, dilemma, active imagination, creativity, protection during change, dreamer, good luck.

Shark		Prowess, perpetual motion, hunter, survival, warning signs, workaholic, savior, guardian, superiority.
Skunk		Reputation, presence, strength, demands respect, sensual, steady, pacifism, taking your time.
Snail		Protective, aware, solitary, tender nature, androgyny, healing, sensitivity, time and cycles.
Snake		Impulsive, primal energy, shrewdness, rebirth, transformation, initiation, and wisdom.
Spider		Balance, wisdom, creativity, communication, networker, cyclical, crafty, fate, protection.
Squirrel		Planner, gatherer, preparedness, awareness, sociable, playful, energy, prudence, resourceful.
Stag		Lord of the forest, masculine power of regeneration, signs.
Swan		Grace, balance and innocence, soul, love, beauty, elegance, transformation, dreams.
Tiger		Strength, valor, power, energy, devotion, tactful, royal, illuminated, unpredictable.

Toad		Inner strength, luck, self-examination.
Turkey		Generosity, life-giver, sharer, abundance, blessings, pride, virility, sacrifice.
Turtle		Nurturer, shy, protecting, patience, strength, innocence, endurance, longevity.
Unicorn		Purity, innocence, dreamer, personal power, gentle, spiritual vision, other realms, faith, healing.
Weasel		Strength, energy, ingenuity, stealth, wild, ferocious, aggressive, commanding.
Whale		Wisdom, provider, intelligence, kindness, deeper awareness, nurturing, navigator, communication.
Wolf		Loyalty, perseverance, success, intuition, spirit, appetite for freedom, can be a loner.
Woodpecker		Sensitive, protective, devotion, prophecy, progress, determination, balance, communication.
Zebra		Clarity, motion, individuality, balance, illusion, instinct, free, wild, communal, playful, social.

