

Facts About Snowy Owls

Fact #1: The snowy owls that are speckled with black, brown, or gray during the winter are females who retain their patterns throughout their lives.

Fact #2: They are very large birds, their wingspan can be as long as 5.5 feet wing tip to wing tip.

Fact #3: They prey on small mammals, such as mice, rabbits, hares, and squirrels.

Fact #4: Snowy owls are diurnal, which means that they are active during both day and night, though they usually hunt during dawn and dusk.

Fact #5: They are monogamous, which means that they stay with the same mate throughout their life. They spend most of the year apart, but meet up on the tundra to breed.

Fact #6: A female lays an egg every other day, for a total of 3-11 eggs. It takes about 32 days after an egg is laid for it to hatch.

Fact #7: Arctic foxes, Skua, and Wolves are their predators.