

Life at the Top

Mountain goats live in high, rocky, remote mountains. They have woolly white coats that blend in with the snow and keep them warm. Both males and females have horns. Male mountain goats are called billies.

Females are called nannies. Baby goats are called kids.

Mountain goats have special hooves that help them travel up cliffs and steep slopes to get food. The hooves have a hard outer rim and a soft rubbery bottom that acts like a suction cup on the rock. During winter, goats use the sharp outer edge of their hooves to paw through snow for plants to eat.

