

Habitat



The red fox is typically found in woodland and open country, but more and more foxes have chosen cities as their habitat. This is because they have found out that there's always lots to eat in cities, and the food is easy to get. They only have to search through *rubbish* or look out for pets' feeding bowls.

Red foxes are mainly active at *dusk* and at night. They usually hunt alone, but sometimes group together in a pack. If a fox catches more food than it can eat, it will bury the extra food and *store* it for later.

In general, each fox has its own *territory*, which may be as large as 50 *square kilometres*. In habitats where there is a lot of food, the territories are much smaller, around 12 square kilometres. Foxes have several *dens* within their territory, a larger one for living in and smaller ones for food *storage*. They often build tunnels to connect the smaller dens with the main one.

Foxes communicate with body language and a variety of sounds. They also communicate with *scent*, marking their food with urine and their territories with droppings.

<i>rubbish</i>	Abfall
<i>dusk</i>	Abenddämmerung
<i>store</i>	lagern
<i>territory</i>	Revier, Territorium
<i>square kilometre</i>	Quadratkilometer
<i>den</i>	Höhle, Bau
<i>storage</i>	Lagerung, Aufbewahrung
<i>scent</i>	Geruch