

How do you tell snow leopard spots from the spots of other wild cats?



From a distance, snow leopards look smoky grey, black and white, even though their fur has yellowish tinges when you see it up close, as in this camera-trap image we captured in India. Adults weigh 60-120 lbs.



You may copy the stylized pattern above to make your snow leopard table cloth, T-shirt, mask, etc.



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Cheetahs appear yellow, with smallish, solid black spots that would be hard to confuse with the snow leopard's open rosettes. Adults weigh 80-140 lbs



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Clouded leopards appear brownish-grey with very big, open black and brown rosettes. These are relatively small cats (males weigh about 50 lbs.)

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Leopards have yellow fur with relatively small, black & yellow rosettes. Adults weigh 80-200 lbs



Jaguars have yellow fur with large, bold black & yellow rosettes, sometimes with another spot or two inside. Adults weigh 150-260 lbs.



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