

# Mammal

## Pot-Bellied Pig

Scientific name: *Sus scrofa domesticus*



### Facts:

Height	16" - 26"
Length	2' - 3'
Weight	50 - 300 lbs
Lifestyle	Social; Diurnal (active during daylight)
Lifespan	15 - 20 years



### Diet : Omnivore

Wild pigs consume nuts, berries, seeds, tubers, insects, fish, reptiles, and carrion. Pet pigs eat a pelleted grain made for pot-bellied pigs at various growth stages.

### Behavior:

Pigs are social animals. In their natural habitat they live in a group with a pecking order. Pigs are ranked as the 5th most intelligent animal behind man, monkeys, dolphins, and whales.

### Did you know?

Pigs grow and develop over time, most reaching skeletal maturity or adult height by 5 years of age.

### So you want a pot-bellied pig.....

Many pigs find themselves abandoned by owners who discover that they grow larger and need more care than expected. Pigs are often given up due to local ordinances making ownership illegal.

If you are considering one as a pet, do a lot of research first, then contact a local shelter or rescue organization. There are thousands of pigs that need a permanent home.

