

Wild Cats

When you think of wild cats you probably think of lions, tigers, leopards and jaguars. But most of the wild cats in the world are actually considerably smaller. In fact, of all the wild cats in the world, 80% of them are small cats. Unfortunately, many of them are also endangered. The table below is a compilation of information from the International Union for the Conservation of Nature (IUCN). Study the table. Then answer the questions.

NAME	GEOGRPHIC AREA	STATUS
Andean Mountain Cat	Chile, northern Argentina, Bolivia, and the Peruvian Andes	endangered
Bay Cat Bornean Bay Cat	Found only on Borneo	endangered
Black-footed Cat	African countries of South Africa, Botswana and Nambia	vulnerable
Fishing Cat	South East Asia	endangered
Flat-headed Cat	Sumatra, Peninsular Malaysia and Borneo	endangered
Iberian Lynx	Iberian Peninsula in southwest Spain	critically endangered
Kodkod Guigna	Chile	vulnerable
Marbled Cat	Sumatra, Borneo and Malaysia	vulnerable
Oncilla Little Spotted Cat	North, Central and South America	vulnerable
Pallas' Cat	Central Asia, Siberia, Tibet and Iran	threatened
Rusty-spotted Cat	India	vulnerable

- Which small cat is in the most danger of becoming extinct? _____
- How many cats are vulnerable (could soon become endangered)? _____
- How many cats are found on the Islands of Borneo? _____
- Which cat is found in Spain? _____
- Which cat is found in India? _____
- Which cat is found in America? _____

