

## ***Fun Facts About Goats***

- A large goat can weigh well over 200 pounds.
- Goats don't have any upper front teeth.
- Both 'boy' and 'girl' goats can have beards.
- There are over 210 breeds of goats in the world.
- Goats have excellent night vision.
- 90% of the world's goats live in tropical & sub-tropical areas.
- More chevon (goat meat) is eaten in the world than any other red meat.
- More than half the world's population drinks goat milk.
- The pupil in a goat's eye is rectangular in bright light instead of round.
- A group of goats is called a "trip of goats", most people use the term "herd".
- Before coins were used for money, goats were traded for silver, because they were so valuable.
- Twelve thousand year old paintings of goats have been found on the walls of caves in Europe.
- Columbus brought goats to America in 1493.
- Mahatma Gandhi lived mostly on goat milk for more than 30 years.

- A goat will spend several hours a day eating and several hours a day thoughtfully chewing its cud.
- The life span of a goat is about 15 years.
- The age of a goat can be determined by its teeth.
- Goats are ruminants which means they chew cud like cows and sheep.
- Coffee was first discovered when goat herders noticed the goats acting very energetic after nibbling on coffee plants!