



If the track has five toes each on the front and back feet it's from the raccoon and weasel families (weasel, badger, mink, skunk, otter, bear, beaver, muskrat, porcupine, opossum).



If you find a two-toe track, it's probably a deer. Moose and elk also leave two-toe tracks, but those animals wouldn't be found here!!



Is the track made by a "hopper?" Squirrels leave interesting tracks. As they bound along, their larger hind feet land ahead of their smaller front feet. It looks like the front feet are side by side. Rabbit tracks look a little different. The hind feet still land ahead of the front feet, but the front feet are not found right next to each other.



What direction is your animal going? How can you tell? If your animal has claws it's pretty easy...claw marks point in the direction the animal was going. If there aren't any claw marks, see if you can see where the snow is pushed back by the animal's feet. The pushed back areas show the direction the animal came from.