

WHY BE CONCERNED?	WHAT ARE NUTRIA?	HOW TO HELP	NUTRIA POCKET GUIDE  A Guide to Identifying Nutria and Other Aquatic Mammals
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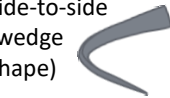
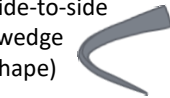


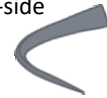




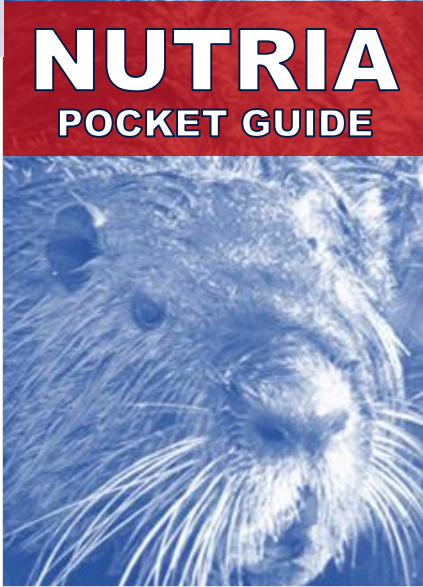





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		1' body 9" tail 2-5 lbs	No webbing on feet Often have pink nails  	Black whiskers Rapid side-to-side tail motion when swimming 	Flattened side-to-side (wedge shape) 	Hunched appearance on land Primarily active at night Cylindrical, 2-3" scats; may float in water Spanish word for otter is 'nutria' 
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