


# Mountain Cottontail Rabbit

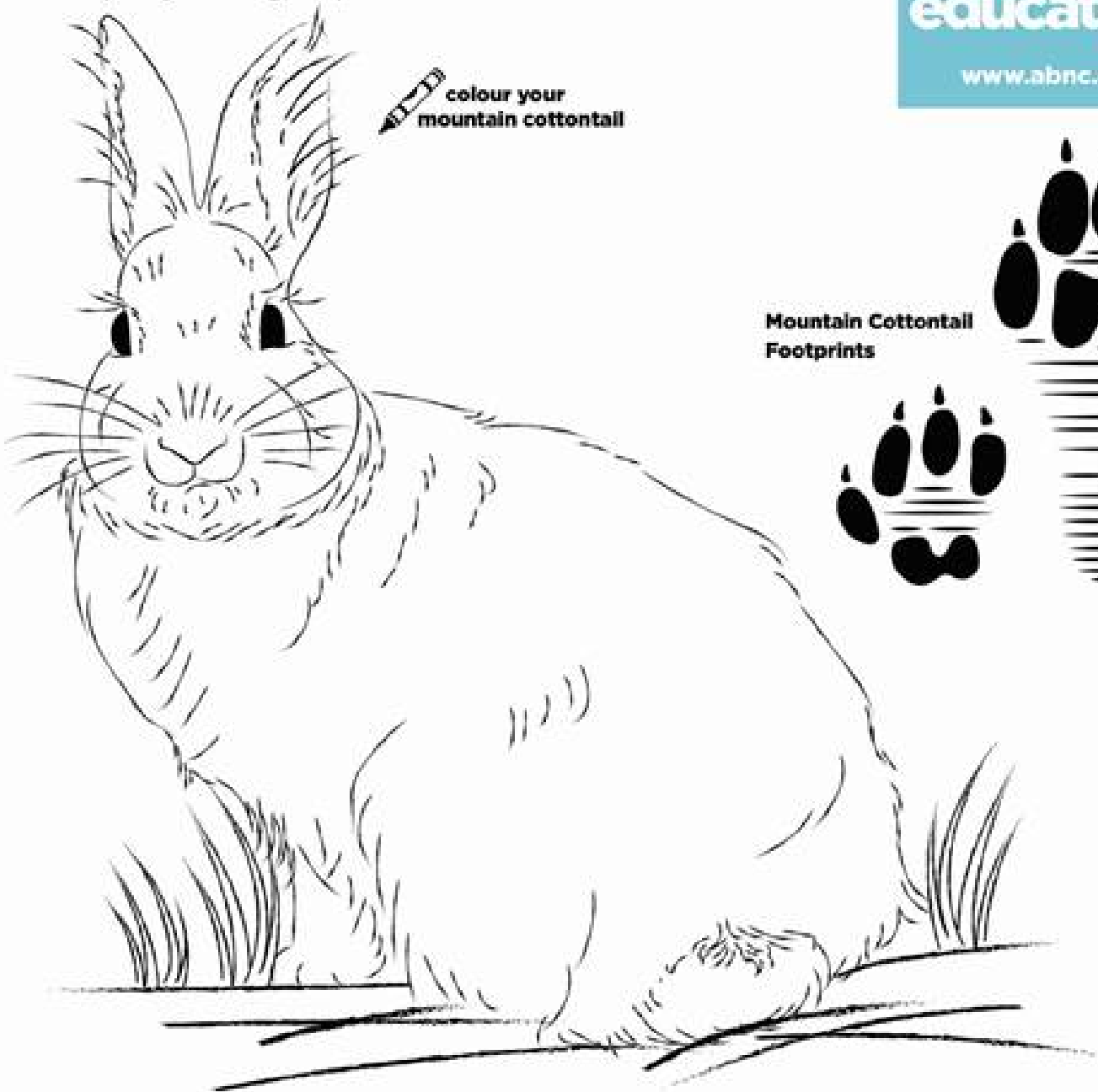
The Mountain Cottontail or Nuttall's Cottontail rabbit is one of the smallest of rabbits in the province. It has greyish brown fur with black tipped ears and has the famous white with grey tail. These small nocturnal mammals mostly eat grass and green plants.

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## Sound the Alarm!

When the cottontail rabbit feels threatened they fiercely thump their hind feet on the ground to alarm other rabbits.

## It's a predators world.

The rabbit may be fast and can hide well due to its size, but it's typical prey for coyotes, eagles, owls, bobcats and rattlesnakes.

## The grasslands are our home.

Typically cottontails live on ridges and slopes where there are grass and sagebrush. Although due to loss in the grasslands of the Okanagan Basin, the population of the cottontails has declined.