

Snowy Owl

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Scientific name Bubo scandiacus

Classification Strigiformes, Strigidae

Distribution Arctic Circle

Feeding Habits In the wild, they prey on a significant number of lemmings (a kind of rodents), so the chick mortality is increased when the population of lemmings are decreased.

Characteristics Males are almost pure white, but females have black mottled patterns throughout. The tips of the feet are covered with feathers.

Behavior and ecology In the habitat, it perches on the ground on a plain with a view. As a member of the owl family, this species exceptionally nests on the ground. Almost owl species hunts at night, but this species hunts even during bright days because it inhabits the Arctic Circle where occurs the climate phenomenon called “white night”

