

# Endangered species



**There are too many endangered species in Russia, for example, the polar bear, the Amur tiger, the red wolf and so on. I would like to tell you about Dzeren, Manul, Narwhal, Irbis and Red-legged ibis**



# 1. Mongolian gazelle



The Mongolian Gazelle or antelope is found in Russia is extremely rare. This small and slender antelope can be found in the steppes of Altai and Tuva. A characteristic feature of this species are beautiful black horns in males up to 28 centimeters long; females have no horns. Life expectancy in the wild in females is up to 10 years, and males - up to 6.

## 2. Manul



In recent decades, the number of this charming predator from the cat family continues to decline. Within Russia, this species can be found in the Altai, Tyva, Buryatia and Chita region. The greatest impact on its numbers have poaching for their fur, as the fur of Pallas' cats have the most fluffy and thick among the cat family.

# 3. Narwhal



These marine animals live in the cold waters along the edge of the Arctic ice. On the territory of Russia are found near the island of Bering, in the White sea and the Murmansk coast. An interesting feature of narwhals is the presence of tusks, which can develop even in females. Narwhal tusks are highly durable and flexible — their ends can bend at least 31 centimeters in any direction without breaking.

# 4. Snow leopard



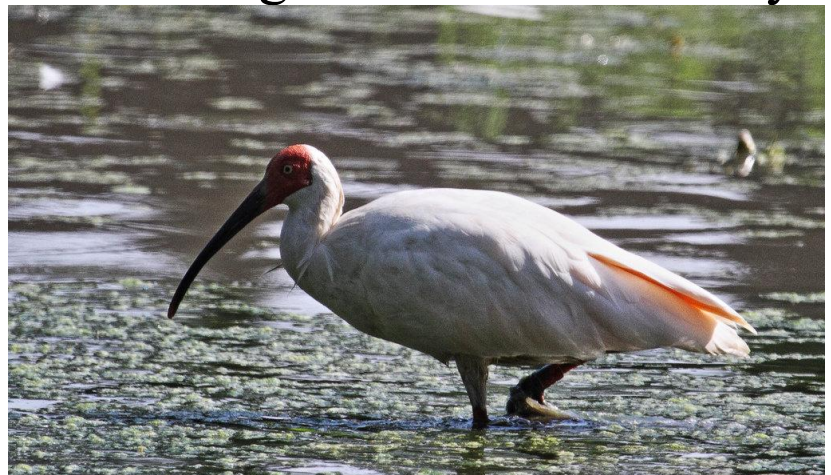
Snow leopard is a rare, small, under the threat of extinction, species. Despite the fact that the snow leopard stands at the top of the food pyramid and does not experience competition from other predators, its number is constantly decreasing due to constant persecution by humans. The snow leopard inhabits the high mountains of Middle and Central Asia.



# 5. Red-legged IBIS



Now the red-legged IBIS is an extremely rare, endangered bird, although before the end of the 19th century the IBIS was a numerous bird in Central China, Japan and the far East of Russia. The number of this species began to decline sharply due to the shooting of birds for meat and as pests of fields (they trampled rice crops). Also, red-legged ibises died from poisoning with pesticides and fertilizers in rice fields, and from cutting down large trees on which they nest.



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