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Where Do
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Thirteen-Lined Ground Squirrels



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Thirteen-Lined Ground Squirrels

It's a fall day in a grassy field.

A thirteen-lined ground squirrel looks for food.

It's getting ready for winter.



Thirteen-lined ground squirrels have 13 light and dark stripes. This is how they got their name.

The small squirrel eats
a lot.

It feeds on seeds and
insects, such as crickets.

Eating a lot of food helps
it build up body fat.

cricket





Ground squirrels have pouches in their cheeks. They carry food in them.

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It's a fall day in a grassy field. A thirteen-lined ground squirrel dives into its burrow. The small animal makes a bed of grass in its underground home. Then it curls up into a little ball and lies down to hibernate. The little squirrel will stay snug in its burrow until spring comes.

Look inside to discover more about thirteen-lined ground squirrels and what they do during the cold winter. You'll also learn all about the amazing ways they survive, including not eating for several months!

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