

How Skunks Protect Themselves

Skunks are small animals known for their black and white fur. They have a very special way of keeping themselves safe. When they feel scared or threatened by something, they can spray a stinky liquid from their behinds!

Step 1: Why Do Skunks Spray?

Skunks spray to warn animals or people that they should stay away. The smell is very strong and not nice at all! By spraying, skunks try to scare off anything that might want to hurt them.

Step 2: How Do They Spray?

When a skunk feels in danger, it can lift its tail and aim its backside at the threat. Then, it squeezes special glands that hold the liquid. This can shoot the liquid out more than 10 feet away!

Step 3: What Happens Next?

After spraying, skunks usually run away to safety. The smell can be so bad that other animals quickly leave the area. It helps skunks escape from danger without getting hurt.

Fun Fact!

Did you know that the smell from a skunk's spray can last for days? That's why it's best to stay away from skunks and let them feel safe!

So, remember, skunks are not mean, they just have a special way of protecting themselves!