

HARRIS'S ANTELOPE SQUIRREL



The Harris's antelope squirrel is easily distinguished by the conspicuous white stripe that runs along each side from shoulder to flank. They are roughly nine inches long, with a three-inch tail, and run with their tails curled over their backs. Ground squirrels belong to the rodent order and are a favorite prey for many predators. Harris's antelope squirrels are often mistaken for chipmunks.

They are found in the Southwestern United States, specifically in Arizona, New Mexico, and in Sonora, Mexico. These squirrels prefer to build their habitats in deserts with cacti, desert shrubs, and areas with dense vegetation. They also can be found in open plains with gravel and sand.