



JUNE ECO-BLITZ CHALLENGE

ROUND-TAILED
GROUND SQUIRREL



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Round-tailed Ground Squirrel (*Spermophilus tereticaudus*)

- They are light beige with a long, black-tipped skinny tail and weigh six (6) to seven (7) ounces.
- Social animals that resemble prairie dogs and live-in small colonies.
- They don't venture out too far from their burrows to find food. They prefer to eat grass seed, cacti, insects (ants, termites, and grasshoppers), and nearby vegetation.
- Round-tailed Ground Squirrels will eat, take time to relax and sun, and then eat again. They go into a dormant phase in the winter months and reemerge in February.
- They can live up to nine (9) years.

Source:

- Arizona Sonoran Desert Museum - https://www.desertmuseum.org/books/nhsd_squirrels.php.



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