Chester Zoo

Red squirrel



UK extinction risk: Endangered

Global extinction risk: Least concern



Name	Red squirrel
Scientific name	Sciurus vulgaris
Habitat (what they live in)	Woodland and grassland
Diet (what they eat)	Seeds, fungi, plants, berries, insects and occasionally bird eggs
Lifespan	6 years
Length	18-24cm
Weight	100-350g
When to see them	All year
Interesting fact	There are now more introduced grey squirrels than native red squirrels living in the UK
Take action for wildlife	Support your local nature reserve, report sightings and protect woodlands