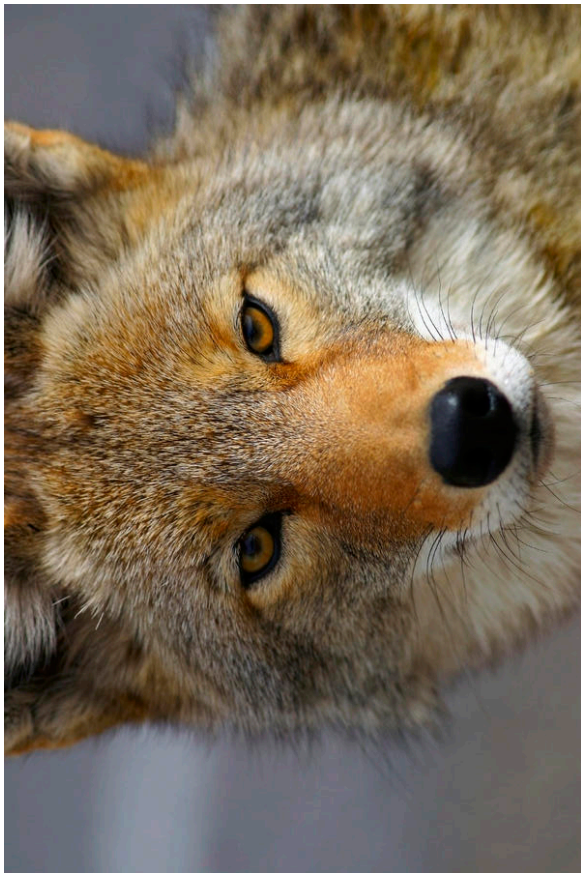


# Creature Card #7



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**Coyote**

- Coyotes are omnivores. They eat: rabbits, rodents, frogs, deer, lizards, birds, plants and carcasses.
- Coyote or dog? Coyotes hold their bushy tails down, even when running. Dogs curl their tails up when running.



- Coyotes can leap up to 13 feet and run up to 40 mph in pursuit of prey. That's twice as fast as a roadrunner.
- Coyotes sometimes form “hunting partnerships” with badgers. The coyote chases the rodent above ground and the badger digs the rodent out of the burrow.



Learn about coyote *tracks* at [naturetrack.org](http://naturetrack.org), virtual trips, Santa Ynez River Virtual Hike, Tracking with Jim Lowery