

A polar bear is standing on a large, white ice floe in the middle of a blue, choppy ocean. The bear is looking towards the camera. The background shows other smaller ice floes scattered across the water.

# The Polar Bear

The Polar Bear is a large carnivorous mammal which lives on the ice cap around the North Pole, eating fishes, penguins, seals and walruses. It's an endangered species because there are only 20000 to 25000 specimen left. It can sometimes weigh up to 800 kg and measure 2 to 3 meters long.



The Polar Bear lives in the areas marked in red.

# Characteristics :

The Polar Bear is adapted to its environment : it has a thick white fur which allows it to hide in the nature and resist to the cold. It is a lonely animal, it doesn't like to live with other polar bears. Its ancestor is the brown bear which lives which live on warmer conditions on the continent. The male is adult at the age of 4 whereas the female becomes adult at the age of 3. The female gives birth every 3 years and rarely more than 2 cubs.