

Soft furred rats – William & Sons



What am I?

African Soft Furred Rat/Multimammate Mouse

Where do I live in the wild?

We originally came from the African rainforests but we now live all over Africa. The only place In Africa we can't live is the desert as we need to drink quite a lot of water.

How am I looked after as a pet?

A large cage , friends to live with and lots to do. We love to run on a wheel and chew!

What do I eat?

A mix of hamster food , seeds, cereals and salad.

What do I look like?

Like a big mouse. We are very soft, have short, legs and a long tail. Our wild cousins are brown but as pets we can be orange too and have white markings.

Why do we love them?

Our Soft furs all have very different personalities as well as colours and patterns. Dad William is calm and curious. Sunflower is very laid back boy with orange & white fur.

Our Story:

Hi, I'm Sunflower one of Lion Learners East Midlands male African Soft Furred Rats. I was born here at Lion Learners East Midlands. I live with my four brothers, my Dad, Uncle and some older boys too.

I have been to lots of schools and events with my Dad William and my brothers. I'm told I am a very chilled out boy! I've learnt from Dad to sit calmly on your hand so you can give me some fuss. We are told we are interesting as my brothers Bill & Ben are wild coloured Soft Furs. I am most definitely not, with my orange fur and red eyes. I am told I would be eaten by a predator pretty quickly if I was a wild animal as I would be really obvious to them. Thank goodness I am a pet!

At home my brothers and I are busy boys and we are always up to something! We love to run on a wheel and we will chew anything! Kristan has to make sure we have lots to do so we don't get up to any mischief! The older boys are pretty lazy, though, snoozing a lot until it is time for tea, our favourite time of day.

