

Farm Wildlife Management: Observations on some Medium Sized Primates and Smaller Mammals

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Abstract

The capability of certain wildlife species to get around and multiply despite intense hunting pressure, as well as the inatness to associate with human habitation provide an important feature for farm wildlife management and/or wildlife farming. Additionally, is the irresistible demand for wildlife as bushmeat. The paper examines the activity centres of some medium- sized primates and smaller mammals (especially Care-rat and Hare) as valuable farm wildlife. About 67% of primate encountered in farms during this study was *Erythrocebus patas*. Other species appear to prefer protected area than cultivated farm lands. Availability of cover, water and food during dry season is a major restrictive factor for farm wildlife. Hare has proved to be highly difficult to tract down for domestication but a heterosedatic technique is already on trial.