





Red Deer - facts

Red deer are our largest deer, standing more than 1 metre tall at the shoulder. Males have large, branching antlers, increasing in size as the male gets older. Red Deer are dark russet-brown in colour, with a paler buff rump patch and a pale tail.

In the autumn breeding season, known as the rut, males bellow to proclaim their territory and will fight over the females, sometimes injuring each other with their sharp antlers.

The Red Deer lives on moorland and mountainsides as well as grasslands near to woodland. They can also be seen in many deer parks throughout the country.