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GRAY SQUIRRELS

- GROUPING:** SEEDIVORE
- NICKNAMES:** GRAY SQUIRREL, BUSHY TAIL SQUIRREL, TREE RAT,, *E^%E%\$!
- BEST KNOWN FOR:** RAIDING BIRD FEEDERS, STORING NUTS, AND PLANTING THE FOREST. ALSO CHEWING INTO PEOPLE'S HOMES.
- LIFE SPAN:** 3 - 5 YEARS
- MATING SEASON:** SPRING AND SUMMER
- LITTER SIZE:** 3 - 5 SQUIRRELS PER LITTER.
- LITTERS PER YEAR:** TWO, SPRING AND MID-SUMMER. EARLY LITTER FEMALES MAY BECOME SEXUALLY MATURE SAME YEAR
- HABITAT:** MATURE TREES, OAK GROVES, HOLLOW TREES, AND HOUSES. HOUSES ARE BIG HOLLOW TREES TO THE SQUIRREL
- DISPERSAL:** FIRST (SPRING) LITTERS ARE DRIVEN AWAY FROMT THE HOUSE; SECOND (SUMMER) LITTERS OFTEN REMAIN WITH THE ADULT FEMALE THROUGH THE WINTER AND ARE DRIVEN OFF PRIOR TO THE SPRING LITTER.
- ACTIVITY CYCLE:** DIURNAL - ACTIVE YEAR ROUND. CAVITY NESTER.
- FOOD:** NUTS: WALNUTS, PEGANS, ACORNS, MAPLE SEEDS, SUNFLOWER SEEDS, CORN. WILL ALSO EAT EGGS AND BABY BIRDS
- DAMAGE SIGNS:** HOLES CHEWED THROUGH WOOD. ALUMINUM AND VINYL. WOOD CHIPS AND ATTIC INSULATION ON THE GROUND BELOW THEIR ENTRANCE HOLE. CHEWED ELECTRICAL WIRES. ELECTRICAL SHORTS. WATER LEAKS. SHINGLES ON THE GROUNDS
- TREATMENT:** TRAPPING. REMOVE TREES AND BRANCHED TOO CLOSE TO THE HOUSE. KEEP BIRD FEEDERS AWAY FROM THE HOUSE. DO NOT PURPOSELY FEED SQUIRRELS.