BISON

Male **Female**





Habitat-Large numbers of bison were found in the open plains

Diet

- They are herbivores
- · They primarily graze on a variety of grasses

Life Cycle

- > Breeding season is usually in July and August
- A single calf is usually born in May
 Bison may live 10 to 20 years in the wild
 Bison may live 30 years in captivity
- Young, old, injured, and weak bison usually are hunted by wolves

Reproductive Cycle

- * Bulls fight over cows and breed with as many as possible
- * Most times only 1 calf is born (Twins are rare)

Hunting Regulations- You may hunt bison in certain states

Migration

- ♣ They leave for the winter months
- They return in Spring
- ♣ They typically migrate 200 to 400 miles away

Random Fun Fact- Bulls weigh 2,000 to 3,000 pounds

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