

KNOWLEDGE CHECK—What Did You Learn?

Located on the western coast of the United States, the chaparral is home to many plants and animals that you might recognize. Coyotes, wolves, snakes, lizards, hummingbirds, squirrels, rabbits, owls, vultures, and a number of bugs all live in the chaparral. The chaparral landscape isn't only in the US, it can also be found in South America, South Africa, the western tip of Australia and the coastal areas of the Mediterranean.

The weather in the chaparral is mostly hot and dry, with occasional rain. During the summer, temperatures can reach over 100 degrees Fahrenheit! Much like the desert, animals in the chaparral have had to get used to hot and dry weather and need less water to survive than animals in wetter regions. Critters like the black-tailed jackrabbit use their giant ears to cool down or increase their body's temperature.

1. Where is the Chaparral found?

- A. Everywhere
- B. Africa and the Southern tip of Antarctica
- C. The Western Coast of the US, South America, South Africa, the western tip of Australia and the coastal areas of the Mediterranean.
- D. On the East Coast of the United States

2. What Kind of animals are found in the Chaparral?

- A. Monkeys and squirrels
- B. Lions, tigers, and bears
- C. Lizards, rabbits, and coyotes
- D. Tropical snakes and parrots

3. What is the Weather like in the Chaparral?

- A. Hot and Dry
- B. Wet and Cold
- C. Freezing
- D. Rainy



4. Tell us about your adventures in the chaparral—

What kinds of animals did you see? What was your favorite part about this field trip?



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