

I Found a Baby Mammal... *Now What?*



Is baby hurt or sick?

(Bleeding, shivering, vomiting; was attacked by dog or cat?)

NO

YES

Can you find the nest or den?

Is it intact?

YES

NO

Place baby in nest/den.

Place baby in shallow box close to where it was found. Keep warm, but out of sun.

Watch for mother for 4-6 hours. Stay completely out of sight. Mothers won't return if any people or pets are present.

Did mother return?

YES

NO

Leave the area.
Baby is okay.

Call the Wildlife Hotline
520 903-1104

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Unable to reach a rehabilitator?

Call **AZ Game & Fish Department**, Tucson

520 628-5376; or

520 388-4446

Other Hints...

Baby Bunnies. If a nest has been damaged, it can be repaired. Look for a shallow depression lined with grass and fur. Place babies in nest with a light layer of grass to hide them. Leave the area. Mothers return only at dawn and dusk. If you find healthy bunnies that are 4-5 inches long, able to hop, with eyes open and ears up, *they do not need help.* They are able to survive on their own. **Leave them alone.**

Fawns. Mothers normally leave their babies to go off and feed. If the baby looks cold, hungry, diseased, or confused; or, if dogs, other animals, or people threaten its safety, call the **Wildlife Hotline.** **Otherwise, leave the baby alone and leave the area.** The mother will *not* return if people or pets are present.