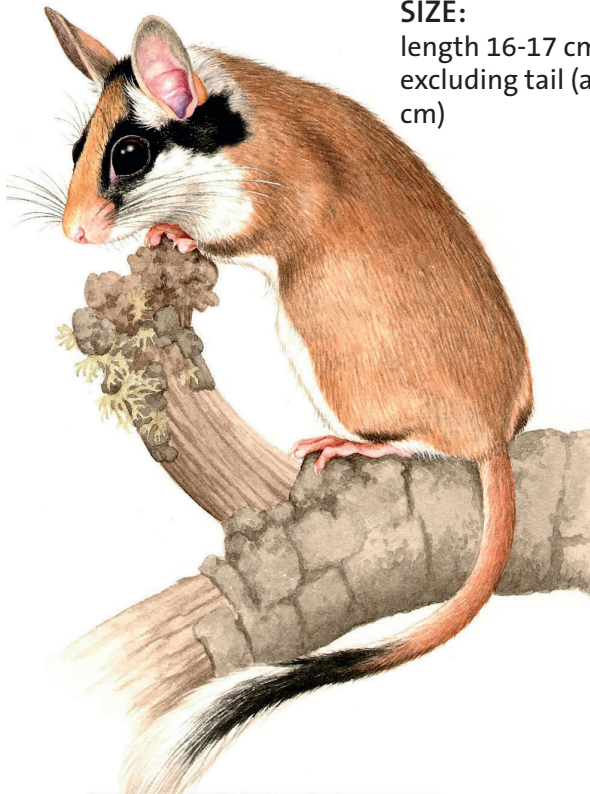




WOOD MOUSE

(*Elimys quercinus*)



SIZE:
length 16-17 cm
excluding tail (another 12 cm)



WHERE TO SEE THEM:
undergrowth

Belongs to the dormouse family, although smaller and apparently more similar to a mouse

Black band around the eyes that reaches the ears



Able to climb up to the thinnest branches



Feeds on insects (caterpillars) but also bird eggs and fruit

Frequents woods (especially oak) but also shrubby meadows



Uses abandoned squirrel nests on trees or digs a new den

In winter, it hibernates along with other individuals of the same species

