# Cwm Idwal National Nature Reserve is full of wildlife! Here are some of the many species that live here. How many can you spot?



## **Meadow Pipit**

The first sounds of spring, this little brown bird is noisy! Can you see it flying up high & signing as it parachutes slowly back to its hiding place?



# **Purple Saxifrage**

A sure sign that spring is on its way! The first plant to flower in the Cwm. Look for its purple flowers in rocky places.



# Tormentil

A common flower in the Cwm's wet grassland. Notable for its 4 yellow petals. In the past it was said to cure stomach illnesses.



## Goat

These feral goats come down to lower slopes in winter and can still be seen in the Cwm in spring. They can affect the trees growing here though stripping the bark and grazing.



# **Great Crested Grebe**

An impressive water bird. It has a crest of feathers on the top of its head.



#### **Wood Sorrel**

Believe it or not, Cwm Idwal was once covered in trees! This woodland plant looks like a clover & still grows here despite the lack of trees.



# **Cottongrass**

A common plant found on wetter, boggy areas in the Cwm. Look for its white feather like seedheads.



# **Moss Campion**

A plant that is more common in the Arctic! It survives on Cwm Idwal's high, cold, shaded rocks. Look out for its Pink flowers.



# Barren Strawberry

With much disappointment this plant looks exactly like a Strawberry but produces no edible fruit – giving it its name.



# Wheatear

A small bird that migrates all the way from Africa every year!

