



Cats Skinned Alive in China – Undercover Investigators Penetrate Horrific Chinese Fur Farms

American Trade Dollars Underwrite Animal Cruelty in China,
Outsiders Banned From Visiting

Skinned Alive

When undercover investigators made their way onto Chinese fur farms recently, they found that many animals are still alive and struggling desperately when workers flip them onto their backs or hang them up by their legs or tails to skin them. When workers on these farms begin to cut the skin and fur from an animal's leg, the free limbs kick and writhe. Workers stomp on the necks and heads of animals who struggle too hard to allow a clean cut.

When the fur is finally peeled off over the animals' heads, their naked, bloody bodies are thrown onto a pile of those who have gone before them. Some are still alive, breathing in ragged gasps and blinking slowly. Some of the animals' hearts are still beating five to 10 minutes after they are skinned. One investigator recorded a skinned raccoon dog on the heap of carcasses who had enough strength to lift his bloodied head and stare into the camera.

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Before they are skinned alive, animals are pulled from their cages and thrown to the ground; workers bludgeon them with metal rods or slam them on hard surfaces, causing broken bones and convulsions but not always immediate death. Animals watch helplessly as workers make their way down the row.

Undercover investigators from Swiss Animal Protection/EAST International recently toured fur farms in China's Hebei Province, and it quickly became clear why outsiders are banned from visiting.

There are no regulations governing fur farms in China—farmers can house and slaughter animals however they see fit—meaning miserable lives and excruciating deaths. The investigators found horrors beyond their worst imaginings and concluded, "Conditions on Chinese fur farms make a mockery of the most elementary animal welfare standards. In their lives and their unspeakable deaths, these animals have been denied even the simplest acts of kindness."

On these farms, foxes, minks, rabbits, and other animals pace and shiver in outdoor wire cages, exposed to driving rain, freezing nights, and, at other times, scorching sun. Mother animals, who are driven crazy from rough handling and intense confinement and have nowhere to hide while giving birth, often kill their babies after delivering litters. Disease and injuries are widespread, and animals suffering from anxiety-induced psychosis chew on their own limbs and throw themselves repeatedly against the cage bars.

The globalization of the fur trade has made it impossible to know where fur products come from. Skins move through international auction houses and are purchased and distributed to manufacturers around the world, and finished goods are often exported. *China supplies more than half of the finished fur garments imported for sale in the United States.* Even if a fur garment's label says it was made in a European country, the animals were likely raised and slaughtered elsewhere—possibly on an unregulated Chinese fur farm.

Because a fur's origin can't be traced, anyone who wears any fur at all shares the blame for the horrific conditions on Chinese fur farms. The only way to prevent such unimaginable cruelty is never to wear *any* fur.

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China Cat Fur Trade Videos

[Silent Screams: Dogs and Cats of the **Fur Trade**](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=alRW1sz_jeg)
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=alRW1sz_jeg

[China's Shocking Dog and **Cat Fur Trade**](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Py2zH78x3No)
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Py2zH78x3No>

[Dog & **Cat Fur Trade** in China](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eDbg67w9aXw)
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[**Fur Trade** in China](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gH82H9lJtag)
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gH82H9lJtag>

[Dog and **Cat Fur trade.**](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zGWwoa_Q4MA)
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[EU bans **cat, dog fur** from its markets](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JXNb526iUIM)
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JXNb526iUIM>

[Trent Reznor zs. The Chinese **Fur Trade**](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zspy6sblZzM)
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zspy6sblZzM>

[**ASIAN / EUROPEAN CAT DOG RABBIT FUR / TRADE**](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=itcllWL7tmg)
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=itcllWL7tmg>

[The REAL Dog **fur trade** that **China** tries to hide - HORRIFIC!](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EndxD_yndYk)
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<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4BkGwsUuero&feature=related>

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uouHeUHNTnk&feature=related>

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=93TkKnctWGC&feature=related>

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SNxw-tEn2SE&feature=related>

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tgmJn0opwtA>

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wdZAn00W_PU

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=L-kGq5LgKxg&feature=related>

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=77OXe9HBWBo&feature=related>

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=14L9otvV0-U&feature=related>

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