



# Saplings Colouring Package #27







## Did You Know? (10 fun facts about cougars)

1. The cougar holds the Guinness record for having the most names in the world! Depending on where you are, they are also called mountain lions, pumas, panthers, and catamounts.
2. Unlike lions and tigers, cougars don't roar. They are the biggest cats that can actually purr and meow just like a giant house cat!
3. Their powerful hind legs give them incredible leaping abilities. A cougar can jump 20 feet up into the air and leap as far as 40 feet horizontally.
4. Baby cougars (called kittens or cubs) are born with spots and bright blue eyes to help them hide and blend in with the bushes. As they grow, their spots fade and their eyes turn yellowish-green.
5. Have you ever wondered if a cougar footprint looks different? You usually won't see any claw marks in their tracks because they have special retractable claws that they pull in to keep them super sharp for hunting.
6. A cougar's tail can grow up to 33 inches long. They use their long tail for balance, which helps them make sharp turns while running or walking on narrow logs.
7. Cougars are ambush predators, meaning they like to sneak up on their prey rather than chasing them for miles. They do most of their hunting at dawn and dusk.
8. If a cougar catches a large meal, it will eat what it can and then hide the leftover food under dirt, leaves, and sticks. It will come back to the hidden snack over the next few days.
9. While house cats usually hate taking baths, cougars are actually very strong swimmers and will happily cross rivers or lakes if they need to.
10. Adult cougars are solitary animals, which means they prefer to live and travel all by themselves. They only get together when it is time to have babies.

**Now It's Your Turn!**  
**Draw your own cougar here**