

The Rise & Fall of Animal Rights: Holding Activists Accountable by Alan Herscovici

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10 REASONS WHY YOU CAN WEAR YOUR FUR WITH PRIDE !

1. Fur is a smart fashion choice: your fur garment is a long-lasting, natural product, hand-crafted to exceptionally high standards.
2. While leather, wool, and silk are all fine natural clothing materials, fur has long been recognized as the warmest and the most luxurious fashion statement you can make.
3. Unlike most apparel, fur can be redesigned and remodeled as fashion trends change.
4. The North American fur trade is committed to the responsible treatment of animals. Trapping is regulated & no endangered species are used -- this is guaranteed by law.
5. Thanks to careful conservation and strict regulations, furbearing animals are abundant in North America. In fact, many of the most commercially important species (e.g. muskrat, beaver) are considered to be as abundant as they have ever been on this continent; some (e.g. coyote, raccoon, and foxes) may actually be more abundant.
6. Industry guidelines ensure high standards of housing, nutrition and animal care on North American fur farms. In addition to fur, farmed mink and fox also provide fertilizers, fine oils for leathers and cosmetics, and other valuable products. Nothing is wasted.
7. The Fur Trade accounts for perhaps one-quarter of one per cent of the animals we use for food, clothing, and other purposes each year. (About twice as many unwanted pets must be put down in humane shelters.)
8. The Fur Trade supports the cultures and livelihoods of tens of thousands of rural and aboriginal people in North America. Living on the land, they have a direct interest in protecting wildlife habitat. They are true "practicing conservationists."
9. Animal activists oppose the use animals for any purpose, including food, clothing, entertainment or even vital medical research. That would mean no leather, wool, silk, or down; no meat, milk, cheese, or eggs. They would also ban all fishing, hunting, zoos, rodeos, animals in circuses -- in fact, some even oppose the use of seeing-eye dogs!
10. The men and women of the North American fur trade are proud of the skills and traditions they maintain. If you have any questions about fur, please ask us!

"Fur -- the Fabric of a Nation"

A proud North American tradition of responsible conservation and distinctive craftsmanship

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