

## The History of Ferrets

Ferrets are a lot of fun in a small package. But where did they come from? Have people always kept them as pets?

The history of ferrets dates back many, many years. For those that are looking for a pet that has been around a long time, the ferret may just right. Today, they seem unique and different from the common dog or cat, but they have been pets, or at least domesticated, for quite a long time. The ferret's history can be traced well back into the times of the ancient Egyptians. These people used them to guard their grain supplies. This is not certain, because many believe that Europeans mistook cats for ferrets. Nevertheless, these pets have been around for a very long time.

The history of these pets dates back for years. They have been found in remains that date back to the time of the Egyptians, but it may be much longer than that that they have been around. In ancient history, these animals were not necessarily pets. They are thought to have been domesticated approximately 1500 years ago.

It is thought that the ferret was bred from the European Polecat, though it may be that they were bred from the steppe polecat. In either case, the animals seem to have a high level of similarity in their features, and it is through this they are related. While the history of the ferret is something that we may not ever know, it is definite that they have had a role in the lives of people throughout history.

The ferret is a creature that can adapt to fit the lifestyle that it needs. Its body and its curiosity are supposed to have been bred for hunting, as they could easily get down into holes to get their prey. They may have been bred for their abilities as well. Many of them are quite smart, and have been used to carry lines through tight holes and much more.

Clearly, throughout the ages, people have recognized the value of the ferret as working animal.