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## TRIBE SPOTLIGHT: NEPHTALI

### HIND FACTS

A hind is a female Red Deer.

#### Genesis 49:21

Naphtali is a hind let loose: he giveth goodly words.

- 1) The red deer is one of the largest species of deer and the only type of deer found in Africa.
- 2) Venison (deer meat) is made from red deer. It is a lawful meat for us as deer chew the cud (Lev 11:3)
- 3) Red deer are the 4<sup>th</sup> largest deer species behind moose, elk, and sambar deer.
- 4) Hinds do not have antlers or neck manes (hair).
- 5) The color of the hair/fur of a hind change with the seasons. They are green or lighter in color during winter and red or darker in color during the summer.
- 6) During the autumn, they grow thicker coats for insulation. In the beginning of summer, they run against trees to shed the extra hair.
- 7) All red deer are spotted when first born and lose them over time.
- 8) They can live up to 20 years!
- 9) Only males (stags) have antlers. Hinds do not.
- 10) They are social animals and live with as many as 400 and are led by one male.

