

Greater mousedeer in Western Catchment Area

Subject: Greater mousedeer, *Tragulus napu* (Mammalia: Artiodactyla: Tragulidae).

Subject identified by: Contributor.

Location, date and time: Singapore Island, Western Catchment Area, south of Murai Reservoir; 11 July 2012; 2314 hrs.

Habitat: Secondary forest.

Observer: Contributor, with camera trap.

Observation: An adult greater mousedeer was recorded moving along a secondary forest trail in the Western Catchment Area by a camera trap (subject is at the lower left corner of the accompanying photograph).

Remarks: This is the first confirmed record of a greater mousedeer in the Western Catchment Area and on the main island of Singapore since 1921. The greater mousedeer was rediscovered in Singapore in 2008 on Pulau Ubin (Chua et al., 2009).

Reference: Chua, M., N. Sivasothi & R. Teo, 2009. Rediscovery of greater mouse deer, *Tragulus napu* (Mammalia: Artiodactyla: Tragulidae) in Pulau Ubin, Singapore. *Nature in Singapore*. 2: 373-378.



Camera trap photograph by Marcus A. H. Chua

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