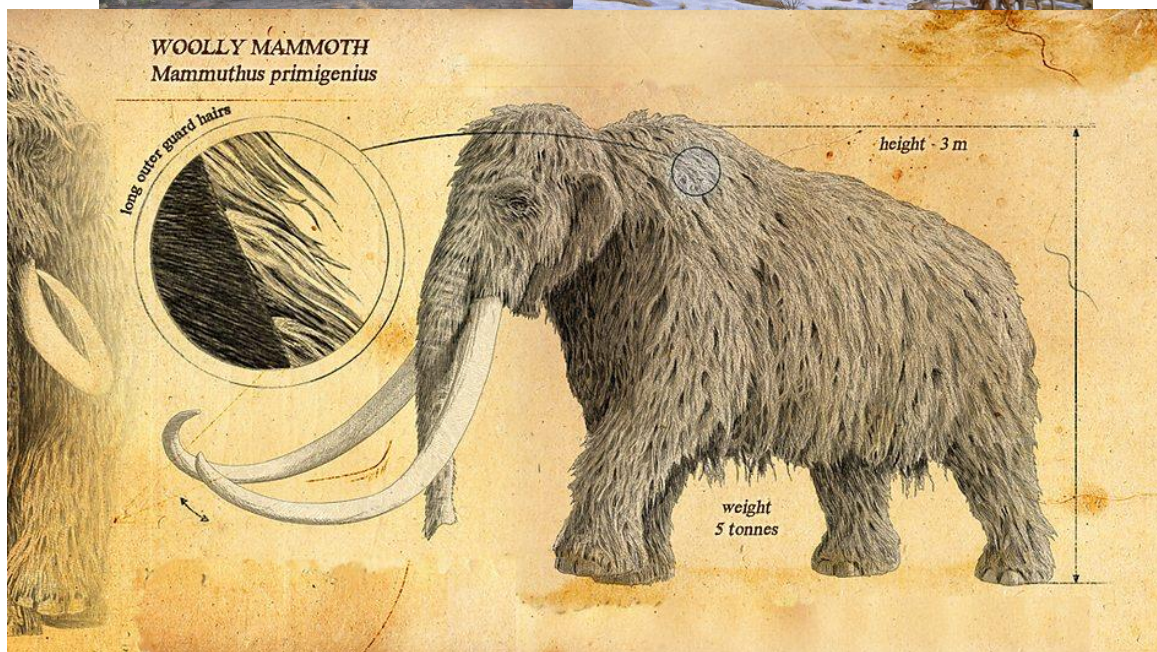


# Woolly Mammoth - *Mammuthus Primigenius*



Height: 3 metres

Length: 5 metres

Weight: 5000 kg

Occupied around Kents Cavern: 135,000 -12,000 years ago

Woolly Mammoths were well adapted to the conditions of the Ice Age. They had long shaggy coats of hair over their bodies, the longest strands of which being up to meter long. Tusks of woolly mammoths are thought by many to have grown so long and curved so that they could sweep off the fresh covering of snow and get at the grass underneath.

Mammoths were too big to get into Kents Cavern, but their remains, including teeth and leg bones, have been found in the cave, proving that they occupied the surrounding landscape. It is likely that their remains were dragged into the caves by scavenging Hyenas and other predatory animals like the Scimitar Cats.