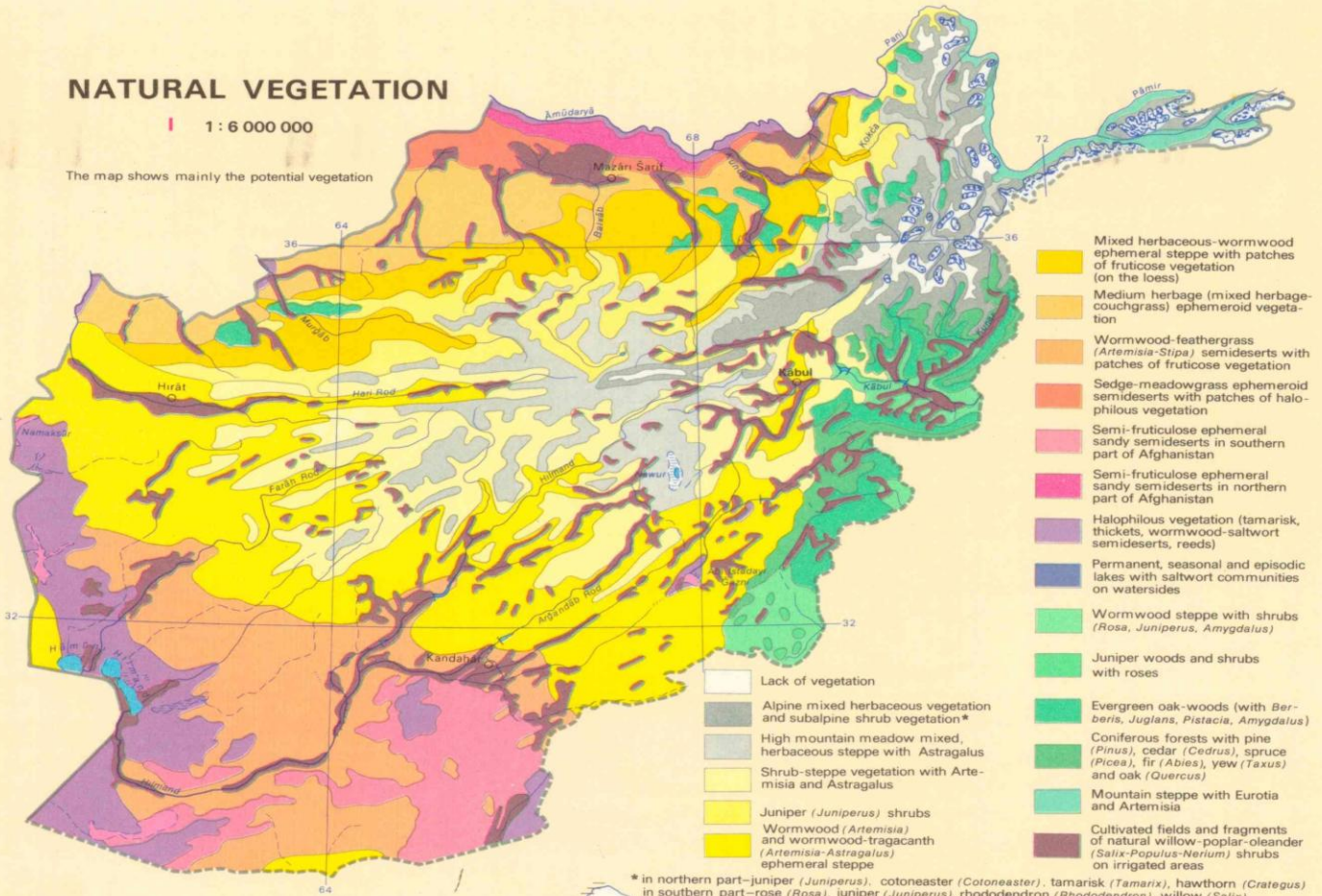


NATURAL VEGETATION

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The map shows mainly the potential vegetation



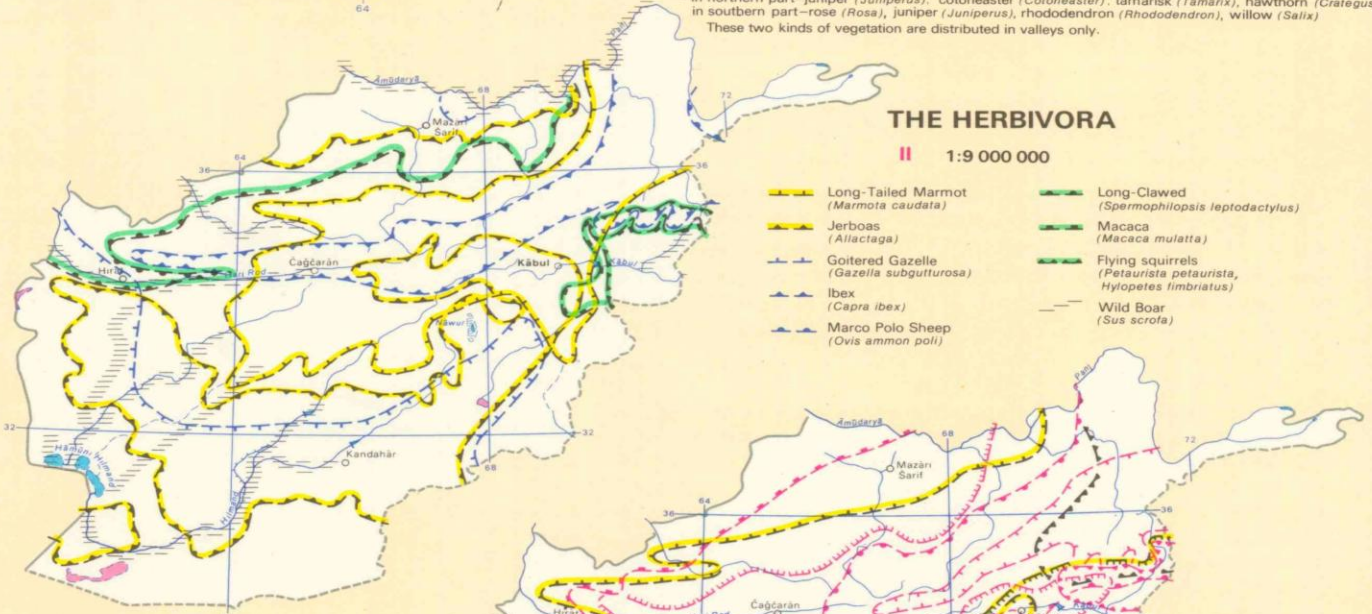
- Mixed herbaceous-wormwood ephemeral steppe with patches of fruticose vegetation (on the loess)
- Medium herbage (mixed herbage-couchgrass) ephemeroïd vegetation
- Wormwood-feathergrass (*Artemisia-Stipa*) semideserts with patches of fruticose vegetation
- Sedge-meadowgrass ephemeroïd semideserts with patches of halophilous vegetation
- Semi-fruticose ephemeral sandy semideserts in southern part of Afghanistan
- Semi-fruticose ephemeral sandy semideserts in northern part of Afghanistan
- Halophilous vegetation (tamarisk, thickets, wormwood-saltwort semideserts, reeds)
- Permanent, seasonal and episodic lakes with saltwort communities on watersides
- Wormwood steppe with shrubs (*Rosa*, *Juniperus*, *Amygdalus*)
- Juniper woods and shrubs with roses
- Evergreen oak-woods (with *Berberis*, *Juglans*, *Pistacia*, *Amygdalus*)
- Coniferous forests with pine (*Pinus*), cedar (*Cedrus*), spruce (*Picea*), fir (*Abies*), yew (*Taxus*) and oak (*Quercus*)
- Mountain steppe with *Eurotia* and *Artemisia*
- Cultivated fields and fragments of natural willow-poplar-oleander (*Salix-Populus-Nerium*) shrubs on irrigated areas

- Lack of vegetation
- Alpine mixed herbaceous vegetation and subalpine shrub vegetation*
- High mountain meadow mixed herbaceous steppe with *Astragalus*
- Shrub-steppe vegetation with *Artemisia* and *Astragalus*
- Juniper (*Juniperus*) shrubs
- Wormwood (*Artemisia*) and wormwood-tragacanth (*Artemisia-Astragalus*) ephemeral steppe

* in northern part—juniper (*Juniperus*), cotoneaster (*Cotoneaster*), tamarisk (*Tamarix*), hawthorn (*Crataegus*)
 in southern part—juniper (*Juniperus*), rose (*Rosa*), juniper (*Juniperus*), rhododendron (*Rhododendron*), willow (*Salix*)
 These two kinds of vegetation are distributed in valleys only.

THE HERBIVORA

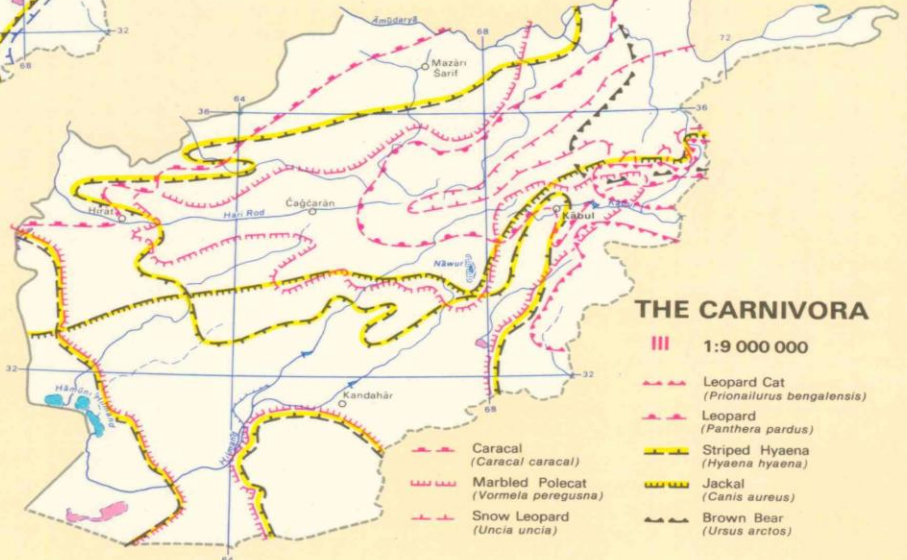
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- Long-Tailed Marmot (*Marmota caudata*)
- Jerboas (*Allactaga*)
- Gorrered Gazelle (*Gazella subgutturosa*)
- Ibex (*Capra ibex*)
- Marco Polo Sheep (*Ovis ammon poli*)
- Long-Clawed (*Spermophilopsis leptodactylus*)
- Macaca (*Macaca mulatta*)
- Flying squirrels (*Petaurista petaurista*, *Hylopetes limbriatus*)
- Wild Boar (*Sus scrofa*)

THE CARNIVORA

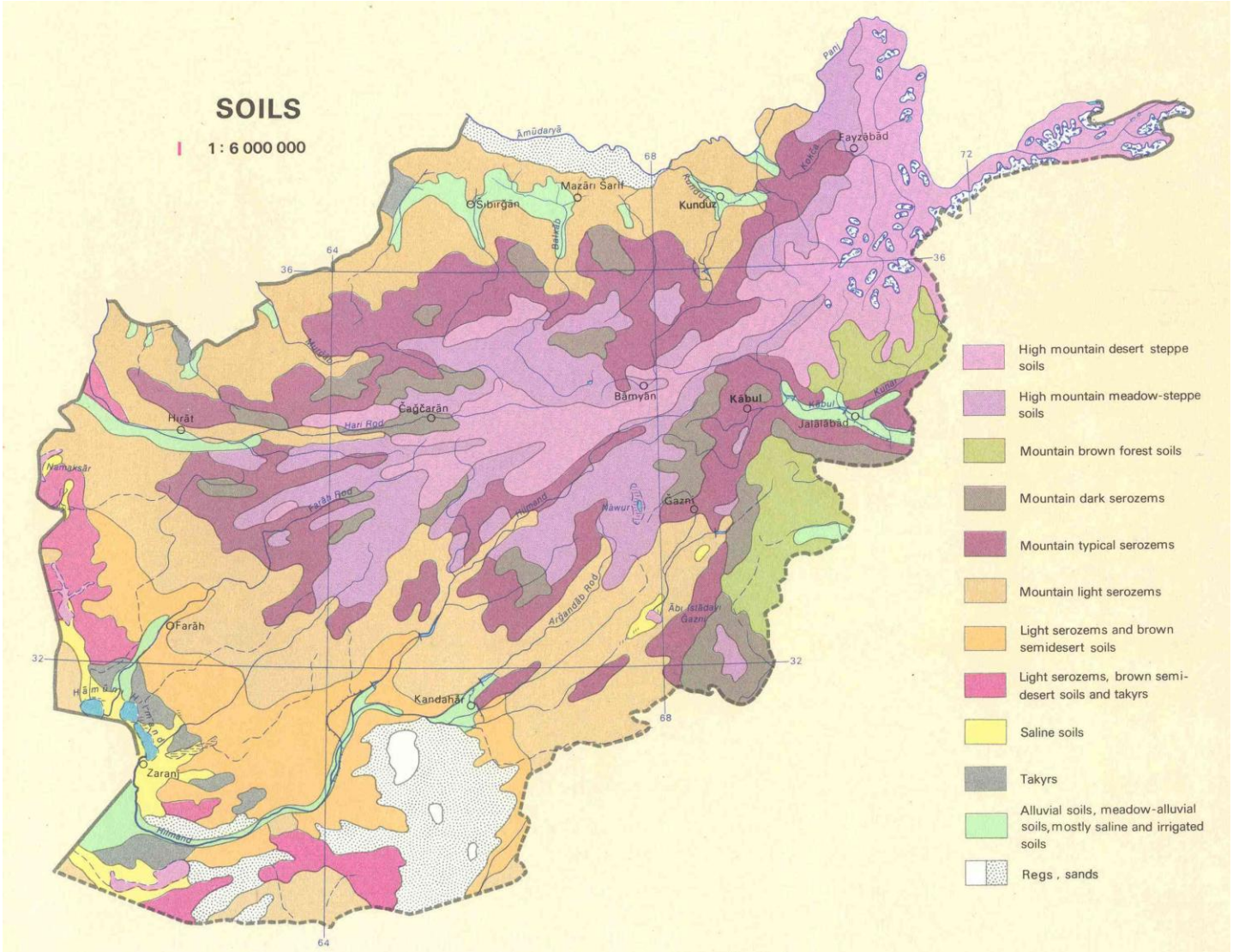
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










- Leopard Cat (*Prionailurus bengalensis*)
- Leopard (*Panthera pardus*)
- Striped Hyaena (*Hyaena hyaena*)
- Jackal (*Canis aureus*)
- Brown Bear (*Ursus arctos*)
- Caracal (*Caracal caracal*)
- Marbled Polecat (*Vormela peregusna*)
- Snow Leopard (*Uncia uncia*)

SOILS

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-  High mountain desert steppe soils
-  High mountain meadow-steppe soils
-  Mountain brown forest soils
-  Mountain dark serozems
-  Mountain typical serozems
-  Mountain light serozems
-  Light serozems and brown semidesert soils
-  Light serozems, brown semi-desert soils and takyrs
-  Saline soils
-  Takyrs
-  Alluvial soils, meadow-alluvial soils, mostly saline and irrigated soils
-  Regs. sands