

Animal Fact Sheet

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American Beaver

Castor canadensis

The American Beaver is the largest rodent in North America, known for its powerful build, webbed feet, and iconic flat, paddle-shaped tail. Renowned for its remarkable engineering skills, this semi-a...

Quick facts

Classification: Mammal

Family: Castoridae

Habitat: Freshwater rivers, streams, ponds, and lakes in forested and mixed woodland regions

Diet: Herbivore

Conservation status: Least Concern

Lifespan: 10-15 years in the wild

Weight: 16-32 kg (35-70 lbs)

Scientific name: *Castor canadensis*

Did you know?

- Beaver dams are visible from space and can reach lengths of over 850 meters (2,790 feet), making them some of the largest animal-made structures on E...
- American Beavers have orange teeth due to iron-rich enamel that makes them stronger. They can remain underwater for up to 15 minutes by slowing their...

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