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## Aye-aye Leech

*Chtonobdella ayeaye*

The Aye-aye leech (*Chtonobdella ayeaye*) is a rare terrestrial blood-feeding leech discovered in the rainforests of Madagascar. This unique invertebrate is notable for its association with the aye-aye...

### Quick facts

**Classification:** Invertebrate

**Family:** Haemadipsidae

**Habitat:** Madagascar rainforest

**Diet:** Carnivore (Sanguivore)

**Conservation status:** Data Deficient

**Lifespan:** 2-4 years

**Weight:** 0.5-1.5 grams

**Scientific name:** *Chtonobdella ayeaye*

### Did you know?

- Unlike most leeches, the Aye-aye leech is adapted to a mostly arboreal lifestyle and can be found climbing trees in search of its hosts.
- The Aye-aye leech is one of the few leech species known to specialize in feeding on lemurs. It is rarely encountered due to its secretive habits and ...

### What I learned

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