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Animal Fact Sheet

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Barred Tiger Salamander

Ambystoma mavortium

The tiger salamander is the largest land salamander in North America, and its most remarkable trick is that it does not always bother becoming one. Given a permanent, stable pond and a poor terrestri…

Quick facts

Classification: Amphibian
Family: Ambystomatidae
Habitat: Grasslands, woodlands, and areas near freshwater bodies
Diet: Carnivore
Conservation status: Least Concern
Lifespan: 10-15 years
Weight: 120-250 grams
Scientific name: Ambystoma mavortium

Did you know?

- Barred Tiger Salamanders can produce a sticky, toxic secretion from their skin to deter predators.
- In a stable pond it may never grow up at all — keeping its gills and breeding as a giant larva, exactly as an axolotl does. Crowded larvae can turn i…

What I learned

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