

Animal Fact Sheet

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Binturong

Arctictis binturong

The Binturong, also known as the bearcat, is a large, arboreal mammal native to the dense forests of Southeast Asia. Despite its nickname, it is neither a bear nor a cat, but a member of the Viverrid...

Quick facts

Classification: Mammal**Family:** Viverridae**Habitat:** Tropical rainforest**Diet:** Omnivore**Conservation status:** Vulnerable**Lifespan:** 15-25 years**Weight:** 9-20 kg**Scientific name:** *Arctictis binturong*

Did you know?

- Binturongs play an important ecological role by dispersing the seeds of strangler fig trees, which depend almost entirely on them for propagation.
- Binturongs are one of the few mammals with a prehensile tail, which can support their full body weight. Their scent glands produce a smell similar to...

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