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Animal Fact Sheet

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Black rain frog

Breviceps fuscus

The black rain frog can neither hop nor swim. Its legs are far too short and its body is a near-perfect sphere, so it walks, and if it falls in water it flounders. It is a burrower from the southern …

Quick facts

Classification: Amphibian
Family: Brevicipitidae
Habitat: Mountain forests and heathland
Diet: Insectivore
Conservation status: Least Concern
Lifespan: 4-15 years
Weight: 4-5 grams
Scientific name: Breviceps fuscus

Did you know?

- The black rain frog can emit a high-pitched squeak when handled, which is unusual among frogs of its size.
- That adhesive amplexus is a real, well-documented secretion in Breviceps rain frogs, and the pair can remain glued together for days. It burrows back…

What I learned

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