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Black-Throated Monitor

Varanus albigularis microstictus

The Black-Throated Monitor is one of Africa's largest lizards, renowned for its imposing size and distinctive blackish coloration around the throat. Native to Tanzania, this robust reptile can grow u…

Quick facts

Classification: Reptile
Family: Varanidae
Habitat: Savanna and woodland regions of Tanzania
Diet: Carnivore
Conservation status: Least Concern
Lifespan: 15-20 years
Weight: 15-23 kg
Scientific name: Varanus albigularis microstictus

Did you know?

- Despite their fearsome appearance, Black-Throated Monitors can become quite docile and even recognize individual humans after frequent interaction.
- Black-Throated Monitors are exceptional problem-solvers and have been observed using their claws and snouts to manipulate objects. They can consume a…

What I learned

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