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Brown Hyena

Parahyaena brunnea

The brown hyena is the rarest of the hyenas, with perhaps 5,000 to 10,000 left, and it makes its living almost entirely by scavenging — it is a superb long-distance walker that can cover 30 km or mor…

Quick facts

Classification: Mammal
Family: Hyaenidae
Habitat: Arid savannas, semi-deserts, and coastal scrublands
Diet: Carnivore
Conservation status: Near Threatened
Lifespan: 12-15 years
Weight: 34–72 kg
Scientific name: Parahyaena brunnea

Did you know?

- Brown hyenas can travel up to 40 kilometers (25 miles) in a single night while foraging for food.
- Cubs are raised communally at a single den, and adults, including subordinate males and females who are not the mother, carry food back to it — coope…

What I learned

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