

# Animal Fact Sheet

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## Cacomistle

*Bassariscus sumichrasti*

The cacomistle is a medium-sized, nocturnal mammal native to Central America and southern Mexico. It has a slender body, elongated face, and a distinctive bushy tail with black and white rings. Adapt...

### Quick facts

**Classification:** Mammal**Family:** Procyonidae**Habitat:** Tropical and subtropical forests, cloud forests, and mountainous woodlands**Diet:** Omnivore**Conservation status:** Least Concern**Lifespan:** 7-12 years**Weight:** 1-1.5 kg**Scientific name:** *Bassariscus sumichrasti*

### Did you know?

- Despite their secretive habits, cacomistles play an important role in seed dispersal within their forest habitats.
- Cacomistles can rotate their hind feet 180 degrees to descend trees headfirst. They communicate with a variety of vocalizations and scent markings. T...

### What I learned

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