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California Tiger Salamander

Ambystoma californiense

The California Tiger Salamander is a large, secretive amphibian native to California's grasslands and vernal pool ecosystems. Characterized by its robust body, broad head, and striking black colorati...

Quick facts

Classification: Amphibian

Family: Ambystomatidae

Habitat: Seasonal ponds and grasslands

Diet: Carnivore

Conservation status: Vulnerable

Lifespan: 10-15 years

Weight: 60-120 grams

Scientific name: *Ambystoma californiense*

Did you know?

- Despite being called 'tiger' salamanders, their stripes are actually spots, and each individual's pattern is unique, much like a fingerprint.
- California Tiger Salamanders can remain underground for up to 11 months a year, relying on rodent burrows for shelter. Their larvae are entirely aqua...

What I learned
