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Animal Fact Sheet

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Cane Toad

Rhinella marina

The cane toad is a textbook lesson in ecological hubris. It was released into Queensland in 1935 to control a beetle attacking sugarcane, and it failed immediately and completely: the beetles lived h…

Quick facts

Classification: Amphibian
Family: Bufonidae
Habitat: Tropical and subtropical grasslands, forests, and urban areas
Diet: Omnivore
Conservation status: Least Concern
Lifespan: 10-15 years
Weight: 0.5–2.5 kg
Scientific name: Rhinella marina

Did you know?

- A single female cane toad can lay up to 30,000 eggs in one breeding season.
- Introduced to Australia in 1935 to eat a cane beetle, it failed instantly — the beetles lived up the stalks and the toads could not climb. It kills n…

What I learned

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