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Animal Fact Sheet

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Cave Salamander

Eurycea lucifuga

The Cave Salamander is a slender, brightly colored amphibian known for its striking orange to reddish body adorned with scattered black spots. Native to the eastern and central United States, it thri…

Quick facts

Classification: Amphibian
Family: Plethodontidae
Habitat: Caves, rocky forests near streams and springs
Diet: Carnivore
Conservation status: Least Concern
Lifespan: 8-10 years
Weight: 2-5 grams
Scientific name: Eurycea lucifuga

Did you know?

- Unlike many cave-dwelling animals, the Cave Salamander retains normal eyesight and pigmentation throughout its life.
- Cave Salamanders have exceptionally long toes that help them cling to slippery cave walls. Their vivid coloration may serve as a warning to predators…

What I learned

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