

Animal Fact Sheet

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Cheetah

Acinonyx jubatus

The cheetah is the fastest land animal, renowned for its incredible acceleration and top speeds that can reach up to 120 km/h (75 mph) over short distances. It is a large felid with a slender, aerody...

Quick facts

Classification: Mammal

Family: Felidae

Habitat: Savanna and open grassland

Diet: Carnivore

Conservation status: Vulnerable

Lifespan: 10-12 years in the wild

Weight: 21-72 kg

Scientific name: *Acinonyx jubatus*

Did you know?

- Despite their speed, cheetahs lose up to 50% of their kills to larger predators such as lions, leopards, and hyenas.
- Cheetahs are the only big cats that cannot roar, but they can purr while inhaling. Their claws are only partially retractable, providing better tract...

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