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Animal Fact Sheet

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Cheetah

Acinonyx jubatus

The cheetah (Acinonyx jubatus) is a remarkable predator and the sole surviving species of its genus, distinguished by its unparalleled speed, reaching up to 104 km/h (65 mph). This velocity is facili…

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 have a disproportionately large adrenal gland, which helps them manage stress and maintain high energy levels during sprints. Unlike other b…

What I learned

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