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Animal Fact Sheet

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Collared Lizard

Crotaphytus collaris

The collared lizard is a strikingly colorful reptile native to the arid and rocky regions of the central and southwestern United States and northern Mexico. Named for the distinctive black bands or '…

Quick facts

Classification: Reptile
Family: Crotaphytidae
Habitat: Rocky outcrops and arid grasslands
Diet: Carnivore
Conservation status: Least Concern
Lifespan: 5-8 years
Weight: 30-50 grams
Scientific name: Crotaphytus collaris

Did you know?

- Unlike many lizards, collared lizards can bite through the exoskeletons of large insects and sometimes even consume other lizards.
- Collared lizards can run bipedally on their hind legs when escaping predators. Males are fiercely territorial and use head-bobbing displays to ward o…

What I learned

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