

# Animal Fact Sheet

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## Collared Peccary

*Pecari tajacu*

The collared peccary is a medium-sized mammal native to the Americas, often mistaken for a wild pig due to its similar appearance. It has a coarse, bristly coat that is grayish-black with a distincti...

### Quick facts

**Classification:** Mammal

**Family:** Tayassuidae

**Habitat:** Deserts, scrublands, tropical forests, and grasslands

**Diet:** Omnivore

**Conservation status:** Least Concern

**Lifespan:** 10-15 years

**Weight:** 16–27 kg (35–60 lbs)

**Scientific name:** Pecari tajacu

### Did you know?

- Despite resembling pigs, collared peccaries are not members of the pig family but belong to their own separate family, Tayassuidae.
- Collared peccaries have a scent gland on their rumps that they use to mark territory and recognize each other. They are sometimes called 'javelinas' ...

### What I learned

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