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Animal Fact Sheet

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Colugo

Cynocephalus volans

The colugo is neither a lemur nor capable of flight, despite the persistent name "flying lemur." It belongs to its own order, Dermoptera, and molecular work places it as the closest living relative o…

Quick facts

Classification: Mammal
Family: Cynocephalidae
Habitat: Tropical rainforest
Diet: Herbivore
Conservation status: Least Concern
Lifespan: 10-15 years
Weight: 1-2 kg
Scientific name: Cynocephalus volans

Did you know?

- Colugos are the closest living relatives to primates, despite their unusual appearance and gliding lifestyle.
- A colugo's stomach is enlarged to ferment leaves, and its intestine is proportionally one of the longest of any mammal its size. The infant is carrie…

What I learned

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