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Animal Fact Sheet

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Coquerel's Sifaka

Propithecus coquereli

Propithecus coquereli is a large lemur of the dry deciduous forests of northwestern Madagascar, best known outside Africa as the animal that played Zoboomafoo. Its locomotion is the whole story: it i…

Quick facts

Classification: Mammal
Family: Indriidae
Habitat: Dry deciduous forest
Diet: Herbivore
Conservation status: Endangered
Lifespan: 18-20 years in the wild
Weight: 3.5–4.3 kg
Scientific name: Propithecus coquereli

Did you know?

- Coquerel's Sifaka has a specialized digestive system that allows it to feed on tough, sometimes toxic leaves that other animals cannot eat.
- Sifakas can leap several times their body length between vertical trunks and routinely land on spiny, thorn-covered trees without apparent injury, gr…

What I learned

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