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Animal Fact Sheet

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Eastern Tiger Salamander

Ambystoma tigrinum

The Eastern Tiger Salamander is one of the largest terrestrial salamanders in North America, known for its striking yellow or olive blotches on a dark background. This secretive amphibian spends most…

Quick facts

Classification: Amphibian
Family: Ambystomatidae
Habitat: Woodlands, grasslands, and marshy areas near temporary ponds or slow-moving freshwater bodies
Diet: Carnivore
Conservation status: Least Concern
Lifespan: 10-16 years
Weight: 18-65 grams
Scientific name: Ambystoma tigrinum

Did you know?

- Despite their large size and bold coloration, Eastern Tiger Salamanders are rarely seen because they spend up to 95% of their lives hidden undergroun…
- Eastern Tiger Salamanders are capable of regenerating lost limbs and even portions of their spinal cord. Their larvae often exhibit cannibalistic ten…

What I learned

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