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Animal Fact Sheet

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Emerald Tree Boa

Corallus caninus

Corallus caninus of the Amazon basin is a masterclass in convergent evolution. It hangs draped over a horizontal branch in tidy symmetrical coils with its head resting in the middle, it is vivid gree…

Quick facts

Classification: Reptile
Family: Boidae
Habitat: Tropical rainforest canopy
Diet: Carnivore
Conservation status: Least Concern
Lifespan: 15-20 years
Weight: 1-2 kg
Scientific name: Corallus caninus

Did you know?

- The Emerald Tree Boa has almost identical coloration and habits to the Green Tree Python of Australia, despite not being closely related—a classic ex…
- The ontogenetic colour change from red or orange to green is not fully explained, but the leading idea is that juveniles live lower in the vegetation…

What I learned

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