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Animal Fact Sheet

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Gerenuk

Litocranius walleri

Litocranius walleri is an antelope that solved the competition problem by growing a neck. In the dry thorn scrub of Kenya, Somalia and Ethiopia, everything eats the browse between ground level and a …

Quick facts

Classification: Mammal
Family: Bovidae
Habitat: Dry thornbush, scrubland, and open woodland
Diet: Herbivore
Conservation status: Near Threatened
Lifespan: 8-12 years
Weight: 28–52 kg
Scientific name: Litocranius walleri

Did you know?

- Unlike most other antelopes, gerenuks can go their entire lives without directly drinking water.
- Females are hornless but have the same long neck, and a browsing female standing bipedal against a thorn tree is one of the strangest silhouettes in …

What I learned

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