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Animal Fact Sheet

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Giant Ameiva

Ameiva ameiva

The Giant Ameiva is a large, active lizard found throughout Central and South America, recognized for its vibrant green or brown coloration and marked scales. This reptile is diurnal, spending much o…

Quick facts

Classification: Reptile
Family: Teiidae
Habitat: Tropical forest edges, savannas, and open woodlands
Diet: Omnivore
Conservation status: Least Concern
Lifespan: 4-8 years
Weight: 100-250 grams
Scientific name: Ameiva ameiva

Did you know?

- Despite their striking appearance, Giant Ameivas are often overlooked due to their secretive and fast-moving nature.
- Giant Ameivas are sometimes called 'jungle runners' due to their impressive speed. They can drop their tails as a defense mechanism to escape from pr…

What I learned

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