

Animal Fact Sheet

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Giant Golden Mole

Chrysospalax trevelyani

The Giant Golden Mole is a rare, subterranean mammal endemic to the forests of South Africa. Characterized by its dense, iridescent fur that shimmers with golden to bronze hues, this species is highl...

Quick facts

Classification: Mammal

Family: Chrysochloridae

Habitat: Temperate and subtropical forests

Diet: Carnivore

Conservation status: Endangered

Lifespan: 4-6 years

Weight: 400-700 grams

Scientific name: *Chrysospalax trevelyani*

Did you know?

- Despite their name, golden moles are more closely related to tenrecs and elephant shrews than to true moles.
- Giant Golden Moles are nearly blind and rely on their sensitive hearing and touch to navigate underground. Their fur is water-resistant, allowing the...

What I learned
