

Animal Fact Sheet

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Giant Panda

Ailuropoda melanoleuca

The giant panda is a large, iconic bear native to the mountainous forests of central China. Renowned for its distinctive black-and-white fur, the giant panda primarily feeds on bamboo, consuming up t...

Quick facts

Classification: Mammal

Family: Ursidae

Habitat: Temperate forest

Diet: Herbivore

Conservation status: Vulnerable

Lifespan: 20-30 years

Weight: 70-160 kg

Scientific name: *Ailuropoda melanoleuca*

Did you know?

- Although they are classified as bears, giant pandas' closest genetic relatives are actually the spectacled bears of South America.
- Giant pandas have a unique pseudo-thumb, an enlarged wrist bone, that helps them grasp bamboo stalks. Despite their bulk, pandas are excellent climbe...

What I learned
