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Animal Fact Sheet

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Giraffe

Giraffa camelopardalis

The giraffe (Giraffa camelopardalis) is a towering icon of the African savannah, renowned as the tallest terrestrial animal with males reaching up to 5.5 meters (18 feet) in height. This remarkable s…

Quick facts

Classification: Mammal
Family: Giraffidae
Habitat: Savanna and open woodland
Diet: Herbivore
Conservation status: Vulnerable
Lifespan: 20-25 years
Weight: 800-1,200 kg (1,760-2,650 lbs)
Scientific name: Giraffa camelopardalis

Did you know?

- A giraffe's heart is about 60 cm (2 feet) long and weighs up to 11 kg (25 lbs) to pump blood all the way to its brain.
- A giraffe's heart can weigh up to 11 kilograms (25 pounds) and generates double the blood pressure of most large mammals, a necessity for pumping blo…

What I learned

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