

Animal Fact Sheet

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Giraffe

Giraffa camelopardalis

The giraffe is the world's tallest land animal, easily recognized by its extremely long neck and legs, as well as its distinctive spotted coat. Native to the savannas and open woodlands of sub-Sahara...

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.
- Giraffes have a tongue that can reach up to 45 cm (18 inches) in length and is darkly pigmented to prevent sunburn. Each giraffe's coat pattern is un...

What I learned

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