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Golden Mole

Chrysochloris asiatica

Golden moles are small, burrowing mammals native to southern Africa, renowned for their iridescent, metallic fur that shimmers in golden, bronze, or green hues. Despite their name and appearance, gol...

Quick facts

Classification: Mammal

Family: Chrysochloridae

Habitat: Subterranean burrows in grasslands, forests, savannas, and sand dunes

Diet: Carnivore

Conservation status: Vulnerable

Lifespan: 3-6 years

Weight: 20-120 grams

Scientific name: *Chrysochloris asiatica*

Did you know?

- Despite their name, golden moles are not closely related to true moles and belong to their own unique mammalian order, Afrosoricida.
- Golden moles have a unique leathery pad on their noses to push through soil. Their fur is waterproof and dirt-repellent, allowing them to move easily...

What I learned
