

Animal Fact Sheet

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Greater Bamboo Lemur

Prolemur simus

The Greater Bamboo Lemur is one of the largest lemurs and is endemic to the rainforests of Madagascar. Distinguished by its robust build, greyish fur, and prominent white ear tufts, this lemur is uni...

Quick facts

Classification: Mammal

Family: Lemnridae

Habitat: Tropical rainforest and bamboo forest

Diet: Herbivore

Conservation status: Critically Endangered

Lifespan: 12-17 years

Weight: 2.2-2.5 kg

Scientific name: *Prolemur simus*

Did you know?

- Despite eating bamboo loaded with cyanide daily, the Greater Bamboo Lemur has a unique physiological tolerance that prevents poisoning.
- The Greater Bamboo Lemur is one of the few mammals able to consume giant bamboo, which contains toxic cyanide. It uses its powerful jaws to chew thro...

What I learned
