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Animal Fact Sheet

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Green Anole

Anolis carolinensis

Anolis carolinensis is the only anole native to the United States, and its ability to shift from bright green to dark brown has nothing to do with matching a background - it is driven by temperature,…

Quick facts

Classification: Reptile
Family: Dactyloidae
Habitat: Forests, woodlands, shrublands, gardens, and urban areas
Diet: Carnivore
Conservation status: Least Concern
Lifespan: 2-8 years
Weight: 3-7 grams
Scientific name: Anolis carolinensis

Did you know?

- Despite being called 'American chameleons,' Green Anoles are not true chameleons and are only distantly related.
- Green anoles can detach the tail and regrow it, but the replacement is cartilage, not vertebrae, and is usually a different shade and shape. They hav…

What I learned

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