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Hercules Beetle

Dynastes hercules

The Hercules beetle is one of the largest beetles in the world, renowned for the enormous horn-like pincers found on males. Native to the rainforests of Central and South America, these beetles can r...

Quick facts

Classification: Invertebrate

Family: Scarabaeidae

Habitat: Tropical rainforest

Diet: Herbivore

Conservation status: Least Concern

Lifespan: 1 to 2 years (including larval stage)

Weight: 50 to 100 grams

Scientific name: *Dynastes hercules*

Did you know?

- The Hercules beetle has the longest body length of any living beetle species, with some males reaching up to 17 centimeters including their horns.
- Male Hercules beetles use their large horns to battle rivals for mates. The beetle's strength allows it to carry objects up to 850 times its own body...

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