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# Animal Fact Sheet

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# Hispaniolan Solenodon

*Solenodon paradoxus*

Solenodon paradoxus is one of the very few venomous mammals, and its delivery system is unique: the second lower incisor is deeply grooved along its inner face, and saliva from a modified submandibul…

## Quick facts

**Classification:** Mammal
**Family:** Solenodontidae
**Habitat:** Moist forests and brushy areas of Hispaniola
**Diet:** Omnivore
**Conservation status:** Endangered
**Lifespan:** 5–11 years
**Weight:** 0.6–1 kg
**Scientific name:** Solenodon paradoxus

## Did you know?

- The solenodon’s closest relatives went extinct millions of years ago, making it a living fossil.
- The solenodon's snout pivots on a true ball-and-socket joint - no other mammal has one there - giving it a range of motion closer to a probe than a n…

## What I learned

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