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Animal Fact Sheet

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Kinkajou

Potos flavus

Potos flavus is regularly mistaken for a monkey or a lemur, and it is neither - it is a procyonid, in the raccoon family, and its resemblance to a primate is convergence on the same arboreal, fruit-e…

Quick facts

Classification: Mammal
Family: Procyonidae
Habitat: Tropical rainforest
Diet: Omnivore
Conservation status: Least Concern
Lifespan: 20-25 years in captivity
Weight: 1.4–4.6 kg
Scientific name: Potos flavus

Did you know?

- Kinkajous can rotate their feet backwards, allowing them to run easily in either direction along branches and climb down trees head-first.
- Kinkajous have scent glands on the throat, chest and belly that they rub along branches to mark territory, so a well-used kinkajou route through the …

What I learned

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