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Lowland Streaked Tenrec

Hemicentetes semispinosus

The Lowland Streaked Tenrec is a small, insectivorous mammal native to the rainforests of Madagascar. It is easily recognized by its striking black and yellow striped coat and its quill-covered body,...

Quick facts

Classification: Mammal

Family: Tenrecidae

Habitat: Tropical rainforest

Diet: Insectivore

Conservation status: Least Concern

Lifespan: 2-3 years

Weight: 125-280 grams

Scientific name: *Hemicentetes semispinosus*

Did you know?

- Unlike most mammals, the Lowland Streaked Tenrec can communicate using sound made by its body quills, not its vocal cords.
- The Lowland Streaked Tenrec is one of the few mammals capable of stridulation, similar to crickets. Its distinctive black and yellow stripes serve as...

What I learned
