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Animal Fact Sheet

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Mangrove Monitor

Varanus indicus

The Mangrove Monitor is a medium-sized monitor lizard native to northern Australia, New Guinea, and many islands throughout the western Pacific. It is characterized by its sleek, muscular body, dark …

Quick facts

Classification: Reptile
Family: Varanidae
Habitat: Mangrove forests and coastal wetlands
Diet: Carnivore
Conservation status: Least Concern
Lifespan: 8-20 years
Weight: 1-2 kg
Scientific name: Varanus indicus

Did you know?

- Despite their aquatic adaptations, Mangrove Monitors can sometimes be found far inland, utilizing rivers and wetlands away from the coast.
- Mangrove Monitors can excrete excess salt from glands near their eyes, allowing them to thrive in salty environments. They are one of the few monitor…

What I learned

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