

# Animal Fact Sheet

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## Mantella Frog

*Mantella*

The Mantella frog is a small, vividly colored amphibian native exclusively to Madagascar. These frogs are known for their bright, aposematic coloration, which warns predators of their toxicity—a trait...

### Quick facts

**Classification:** Amphibian

**Family:** Mantellidae

**Habitat:** Rainforest

**Diet:** Carnivore

**Conservation status:** Vulnerable

**Lifespan:** 4-8 years

**Weight:** 2-8 grams

**Scientific name:** *Mantella*

### Did you know?

- Although Mantella frogs resemble poison dart frogs of South America, they are not closely related; their similarities are a striking example of convergent evolution.
- Mantella frogs are among the few amphibian genera with toxic skin secretions acquired from their diet. Their brilliant colors vary between species, resulting in a wide variety of patterns and colors.

### What I learned

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