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Animal Fact Sheet

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Masked Palm Civet

Paguma larvata

The Masked Palm Civet is a medium-sized, nocturnal mammal native to the forests of South and Southeast Asia. It is easily recognized by its elongated body, bushy tail, and distinctive facial mask pat…

Quick facts

Classification: Mammal
Family: Viverridae
Habitat: Tropical and subtropical forests
Diet: Omnivore
Conservation status: Least Concern
Lifespan: 8-15 years
Weight: 3-5 kg
Scientific name: Paguma larvata

Did you know?

- Masked Palm Civets were implicated in the transmission of the SARS coronavirus to humans in the early 2000s due to their presence in wildlife markets.
- Masked Palm Civets are known for their musky scent glands, which they use for territorial marking. Despite their cat-like appearance, they are more c…

What I learned

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