CREATURE ATLAS

Animal Fact Sheet

Name: _____ Date: _____



Matschie's Tree Kangaroo

Dendrolagus matschiei

Dendrolagus matschiei lives only on the Huon Peninsula of Papua New Guinea, and it is a kangaroo that went back up a tree. Its ancestors were ground-dwelling macropods, and re-adapting to the canopy …

Quick facts

Classification: Mammal
Family: Macropodidae
Habitat: Montane rainforest
Diet: Herbivore
Conservation status: Endangered
Lifespan: 14-20 years
Weight: 7-14 kg
Scientific name: Dendrolagus matschiei

Did you know?

- Matschie's Tree Kangaroo is one of only about 2,500 individuals remaining in the wild, making it one of the rarest kangaroos in the world.
- Tree kangaroos sweat only from the nose, and they lick their forearms and let the saliva evaporate to cool down - the same trick a ground kangaroo us…

What I learned

© Creature Atlas · www.creatureatlas.com · Free for classroom & personal use