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Animal Fact Sheet

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Mexican Alligator Lizard

Abronia graminea

The Mexican alligator lizard is a strikingly colored arboreal reptile native to the cloud forests of eastern Mexico. Known for its bright emerald-green scales and alligator-like appearance, this liza…

Quick facts

Classification: Reptile
Family: Anguidae
Habitat: Montane cloud forests
Diet: Carnivore
Conservation status: Endangered
Lifespan: 10-15 years
Weight: 20-40 grams
Scientific name: Abronia graminea

Did you know?

- Despite their alligator-like appearance, Mexican alligator lizards are harmless and are more closely related to typical lizards than to crocodilians.
- Mexican alligator lizards are excellent climbers, using their prehensile tails for balance and grip. Their vibrant green coloration provides camoufla…

What I learned

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