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Animal Fact Sheet

Name: _____ Date: _____



Moose

Alces alces

The moose (Alces alces) stands as the tallest and heaviest member of the deer family, towering up to 2.1 meters (6.9 feet) at the shoulder and weighing between 360 to 700 kilograms (794 to 1,543 poun…

Quick facts

Classification: Mammal
Family: Cervidae
Habitat: Boreal forest and mixed deciduous forest near wetlands
Diet: Herbivore
Conservation status: Least Concern
Lifespan: 15-25 years
Weight: 200–700 kg (440–1,540 lbs)
Scientific name: Alces alces

Did you know?

- Moose have a special adaptation in their nose that warms cold air before it reaches their lungs, helping them survive extremely cold environments.
- Despite their size, moose are surprisingly strong swimmers, capable of covering several kilometers at a time and diving up to 5.5 meters (18 feet) to…

What I learned

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