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Mountain Nyala

Tragelaphus buxtoni

The Mountain Nyala is a large, elusive antelope endemic to the highland forests of Ethiopia. Males are distinguished by their impressive spiral horns and a striking, slate-grey coat with white spots …

Quick facts

Classification: Mammal
Family: Bovidae
Habitat: Montane forest and heathland
Diet: Herbivore
Conservation status: Endangered
Lifespan: 8-15 years
Weight: 180-300 kg
Scientific name: Tragelaphus buxtoni

Did you know?

- The Mountain Nyala was unknown to science until 1910, making it one of the last large African mammals to be scientifically described.
- Mountain Nyala are expert at remaining hidden, often freezing motionless to avoid detection. Unlike most other antelopes, they live at altitudes up t…

What I learned

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