

Animal Fact Sheet

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Mountain Tapir

Tapirus pinchaque

The Mountain Tapir is the smallest and most endangered of the four tapir species, native to the cloud forests and páramo of the northern Andes in Colombia, Ecuador, and northern Peru. Recognizable by...

Quick facts

Classification: Mammal**Family:** Tapiridae**Habitat:** Andean cloud forests and páramo (high-altitude grasslands)**Diet:** Herbivore**Conservation status:** Endangered**Lifespan:** 20-30 years**Weight:** 136–250 kg (300–550 lbs)**Scientific name:** *Tapirus pinchaque*

Did you know?

- The Mountain Tapir is considered a 'flagship species' for Andean forest conservation due to its ecological importance and endangered status.
- Mountain Tapirs have a prehensile snout that helps them grasp leaves and fruit. Unlike other tapirs, their thick fur protects them from cold mountain...

What I learned
