

Animal Fact Sheet

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Naked Mole Rat

Heterocephalus glaber

The naked mole rat is a small, burrowing rodent native to the arid regions of East Africa. It is famous for its nearly hairless, wrinkled skin and unique eusocial behavior, similar to that of insects...

Quick facts

Classification: Mammal

Family: Heterocephalidae

Habitat: Underground burrows in arid and semi-arid grasslands

Diet: Herbivore

Conservation status: Least Concern

Lifespan: 20-30 years

Weight: 30-35 grams

Scientific name: *Heterocephalus glaber*

Did you know?

- Naked mole rats can survive up to 18 minutes without oxygen, far longer than most mammals.
- Naked mole rats do not feel certain types of pain, such as pain from acid or capsaicin, due to specialized neural adaptations. They are one of the fe...

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