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Animal Fact Sheet

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Okapi

Okapia johnstoni

The okapi is the giraffe's only living relative, and once you look past the zebra-striped hindquarters the family resemblance is obvious: the same long dark prehensile tongue, the same skin-covered h…

Quick facts

Classification: Mammal
Family: Giraffidae
Habitat: Dense tropical rainforest
Diet: Herbivore
Conservation status: Endangered
Lifespan: 20–30 years
Weight: 200–350 kg
Scientific name: Okapia johnstoni

Did you know?

- Despite their zebra-like stripes, okapis are the only living relative of the giraffe and are not closely related to zebras at all.
- The okapi is the giraffe's closest living relative, despite the zebra-like stripes. Its tongue is long enough to clean its own eyes and ears. Okapi c…

What I learned

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