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Animal Fact Sheet

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Rainbow Whiptail

Cnemidophorus lemniscatus

The Rainbow Whiptail is a slender, fast-moving lizard known for its strikingly colorful, iridescent scales, which often display green, blue, and yellow hues along its body. Native to Central and Sout…

Quick facts

Classification: Reptile
Family: Teiidae
Habitat: Savannas, grasslands, and open forests
Diet: Insectivore
Conservation status: Least Concern
Lifespan: 4-8 years
Weight: 8-15 grams
Scientific name: Cnemidophorus lemniscatus

Did you know?

- The Rainbow Whiptail can drop its tail as a defense mechanism to escape predators, and the tail will later regenerate.
- Rainbow Whiptails are known for their exceptional speed, making them difficult for predators to catch. Some populations of closely related whiptail s…

What I learned

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