

# Animal Fact Sheet

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## Red Panda

*Ailurus fulgens*

The red panda is a small, arboreal mammal native to the temperate forests of the Himalayas and southwestern China. Recognized for its reddish-brown fur, bushy ringed tail, and expressive face, the re...

### Quick facts

**Classification:** Mammal

**Family:** Ailuridae

**Habitat:** Temperate forest

**Diet:** Herbivore

**Conservation status:** Endangered

**Lifespan:** 8-10 years in the wild, up to 15 years in captivity

**Weight:** 3 to 6.2 kg (6.6 to 13.7 lbs)

**Scientific name:** *Ailurus fulgens*

### Did you know?

- Despite their name, red pandas are not closely related to the giant panda and are the only living members of their family, Ailuridae.
- Red pandas use their bushy tails as blankets to keep warm in the chilly mountain habitats. They have a special false thumb, an extended wrist bone, w...

### What I learned

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