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Animal Fact Sheet

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Red River Hog

Potamochoerus porcus

The Red River Hog is a striking wild pig native to the forests and savannas of West and Central Africa. Distinguished by its bright reddish-orange coat, black legs, and distinctive white facial marki…

Quick facts

Classification: Mammal
Family: Suidae
Habitat: Tropical rainforests, swamps, and wet savannas
Diet: Omnivore
Conservation status: Least Concern
Lifespan: 10-20 years
Weight: 45-115 kg
Scientific name: Potamochoerus porcus

Did you know?

- Despite their wild appearance, Red River Hogs can sometimes interbreed with other wild pig species, such as the bushpig, in areas where their ranges …
- Red River Hogs are excellent swimmers and often wallow in mud to keep cool and protect themselves from parasites. Their long, tufted ears and facial …

What I learned

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