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Animal Fact Sheet

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Rhodesian Ridgeback

Canis lupus familiaris

The Rhodesian Ridgeback is a large, athletic breed of domestic dog originally bred in southern Africa for hunting and guarding purposes. Recognizable by the distinctive ridge of hair along its back t…

Quick facts

Classification: Mammal
Family: Canidae
Habitat: Savanna and grassland regions near human settlements
Diet: Omnivore
Conservation status: Least Concern
Lifespan: 10-12 years
Weight: 29-41 kg (64-90 lbs)
Scientific name: Canis lupus familiaris

Did you know?

- Despite their hunting heritage, Rhodesian Ridgebacks are known for being quiet dogs that rarely bark without reason.
- The Rhodesian Ridgeback was initially bred to hunt lions and large game in Africa. The breed is well-known for its remarkable endurance and ability t…

What I learned

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