

Animal Fact Sheet

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Sable Antelope

Hippotragus niger

The sable antelope is a striking and robust African antelope known for its glossy dark coat and majestic, backward-curving horns. Males are especially notable for their jet-black or dark brown coloration.

Quick facts

Classification: Mammal

Family: Bovidae

Habitat: Savanna woodland and grassland

Diet: Herbivore

Conservation status: Least Concern

Lifespan: 16-19 years

Weight: 200-270 kg

Scientific name: *Hippotragus niger*

Did you know?

- A sable antelope's horns can grow up to 1.6 meters (over 5 feet) long, making them one of the longest-horned antelopes in Africa.
- Sable antelopes are among the most aggressive of the African antelopes and are known to confront predators like lions and leopards using their formidable horns.

What I learned
