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# Saiga Antelope

*Saiga tatarica*

Saiga tatarica has a nose like nothing else in the ungulate world: an inflatable, downward-hanging proboscis full of convoluted mucous passages, which filters dust from the air in the summer stampede…

## Quick facts

**Classification:** Mammal
**Family:** Bovidae
**Habitat:** Steppe and semi-arid grasslands
**Diet:** Herbivore
**Conservation status:** Critically Endangered
**Lifespan:** 6-10 years
**Weight:** 21-51 kg
**Scientific name:** Saiga tatarica

## Did you know?

- The Saiga Antelope once roamed from the British Isles to Alaska during the last Ice Age, but now survives in just a few fragmented populations.
- Only males carry the amber, ridged horns, which is why poaching skews the sex ratio catastrophically and can leave herds with too few males to breed….

## What I learned

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