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Animal Fact Sheet

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Saint Bernard

Canis lupus familiaris

The Saint Bernard is a giant breed of working dog originally bred for rescue operations by the hospice of the Great St Bernard Pass on the Italian-Swiss border. Characterized by its massive size, gen…

Quick facts

Classification: Mammal
Family: Canidae
Habitat: Mountain
Diet: Omnivore
Conservation status: Least Concern
Lifespan: 8-10 years
Weight: 54–82 kg (120–180 lbs)
Scientific name: Canis lupus familiaris

Did you know?

- The popular image of Saint Bernards carrying small barrels of brandy around their necks is a myth popularized by art and literature—there is no histo…
- Saint Bernards are famous for their historical role as alpine rescue dogs, particularly for finding and saving lost travelers. Despite their imposing…

What I learned

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