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Animal Fact Sheet

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Savannah Monitor

Varanus exanthematicus

The Savannah Monitor is a robust and stocky lizard native to the savannas and grasslands of sub-Saharan Africa. It has a powerful body, short limbs, and a broad head, with a coloration of gray to bro…

Quick facts

Classification: Reptile
Family: Varanidae
Habitat: Savanna and grassland
Diet: Carnivore
Conservation status: Least Concern
Lifespan: 8-15 years
Weight: 1.0-6.0 kg
Scientific name: Varanus exanthematicus

Did you know?

- The Savannah Monitor can consume animals with hard shells, such as snails and beetles, thanks to its powerful jaws and specialized teeth.
- Savannah Monitors have a forked tongue similar to snakes, which they use to sense chemicals in their environment. They can inflate their bodies to ap…

What I learned

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