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## Scaly-tailed Squirrel

*Anomalurus derbianus*

The Scaly-tailed Squirrel, also known as Lord Derby's Anomalure, is a unique rodent native to the forests of Central and West Africa. Unlike true squirrels, these nocturnal animals possess a distinct...

### Quick facts

**Classification:** Mammal

**Family:** Anomaluridae

**Habitat:** Tropical and subtropical forests

**Diet:** Herbivore

**Conservation status:** Least Concern

**Lifespan:** 5-7 years

**Weight:** 0.9–1.5 kg

**Scientific name:** *Anomalurus derbianus*

### Did you know?

- Despite being called 'squirrels', Scaly-tailed Squirrels are more closely related to rodents like springhares than to true squirrels.
- Scaly-tailed Squirrels are not true squirrels; they belong to a distinct family called Anomaluridae. Their scaly tails are unique among mammals and h...

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