

Animal Fact Sheet

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Surinam Toad

Pipa pipa

The Surinam toad is a highly aquatic amphibian known for its flat, leaf-like body and unusual reproductive strategy. Native to the slow-moving rivers and swamps of northern South America, this toad s...

Quick facts

Classification: Amphibian

Family: Pipidae

Habitat: Freshwater rivers, swamps, and flooded forests

Diet: Carnivore

Conservation status: Least Concern

Lifespan: 7-10 years

Weight: 40-170 grams

Scientific name: *Pipa pipa*

Did you know?

- Unlike most amphibians, Surinam toadlets emerge fully developed from their mother's back, skipping the free-swimming tadpole stage.
- The Surinam toad has a unique mode of reproduction where eggs develop in the mother's back skin. It is almost completely aquatic, rarely leaving the ...

What I learned
