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Animal Fact Sheet

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Tree Kangaroo

Dendrolagus goodfellowi

Tree kangaroos (genus Dendrolagus) are the evolutionary about-turn of the marsupial world: kangaroos whose ancestors were arboreal possums, then left the trees to become ground-hopping grazers, and t…

Quick facts

Classification: Mammal
Family: Macropodidae
Habitat: Tropical rainforest canopy
Diet: Herbivore
Conservation status: Endangered
Lifespan: 14-20 years
Weight: 7-14 kg
Scientific name: Dendrolagus goodfellowi

Did you know?

- Tree kangaroos are so poorly adapted for movement on the ground that they appear awkward and clumsy, in stark contrast to their elegance in the trees.
- Tree kangaroos regained the ability to move their hind legs independently, something ground kangaroos lost, which is what allows them to walk rather …

What I learned

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