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Animal Fact Sheet

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Uroplatus leaf-tailed gecko

Uroplatus fimbriatus

The Uroplatus leaf-tailed gecko is a remarkable reptile known for its extraordinary camouflage, perfectly mimicking dead leaves and tree bark. Native to the rainforests of Madagascar, this nocturnal …

Quick facts

Classification: Reptile
Family: Gekkonidae
Habitat: Tropical rainforest
Diet: Carnivore
Conservation status: Vulnerable
Lifespan: 5-10 years
Weight: 10-30 grams
Scientific name: Uroplatus fimbriatus

Did you know?

- Despite their impressive camouflage, Uroplatus leaf-tailed geckos are sometimes detected by predators due to their reflective eyes, which can shine i…
- The Uroplatus leaf-tailed gecko can flatten its body against tree bark and open its mouth wide to reveal a red interior as a defensive display. Its t…

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