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Endangered Animals

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Pygmy three-toed sloth

Status - Critically Endangered

Population = < 100

Scientific name = *Bradypus pygmaeus*

The pygmy three-toed sloth, sometimes known as the monk sloth or dwarf sloth, is a sloth usually found on Isla Escudo de Veraguas, a small island close to the Caribbean coast of Panama. Their lifespan is usually 30 - 40 years, but little is known about them because of the pretty recent discovery during the 2001. They mainly eat leaves of red mangrove trees and they live on the same tree.



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Pygmy three-toed sloth

Ongoing destruction and fragmentation of its habitat, exploitation for food, the presence of feral cats, and lack of sufficient legal protection are the reasons why the pygmy three-toed sloths are endangered. So, we need to stop them from going extinct. Here are some ways to stop them from going extinct!

- Raise awareness! The more people know about this, the more help we'll get!
- Reduce deforestation!
- Vote to add laws to protect these fuzzy animals!



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Pygmy three-toed sloth

Fun facts

- They have incredibly good swimming skills
- Their top speed is 0.15 mph
- They emit a long echo that sounds “ahh-eeee” (eye)
- Baby sloths are called cubs



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Red panda

Status - Endangered

Population = <10,000

Scientific name = *Ailurus fulgens*

The famous red panda are only a little larger than a cat and are one of the skillful and acrobatic animals that predominantly stay in trees. Around 50% of red pandas are found in the Eastern Himalayas and are primarily herbivores. In captivity, the lifespan of a red panda is 9-13 years but the lifespan of a red panda in the wild is unknown.



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Red panda

Like almost any other animal, red pandas are endangered because of human activity. There are three main reasons for this, because their range is very limited and their forest homes are being cleared they have nowhere to go. Red pandas are also killed when they get stuck in traps meant for other animals and they are often poached for their fur. There are still many ways to prevent red pandas from going extinct like improve awareness, protect against habitat loss and reduce habitat degradation.



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Red panda

Fun Facts

- They were originally called pandas
- They have false thumbs



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Blue whale

Status - Endangered

Population = <17,000

Scientific name = *Balaenoptera musculus*

Habitat= Water

Food= Mostly Krill, but they also eat other types of sea creatures

Why is this animal endangered?

- Habitat loss
- Toxic
- People who try to capture them



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Blue whale

How can we prevent this animal to go extinct?

- Reduce ship strikes
- Reduce entanglement in fishing gear
- Stop burning fossil fuels
- Reduce trawling

Interesting facts:

- They are the largest animal to ever exist
- They're tongue alone weighs as much as an elephant



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Vaquitas

Status - Critically Endangered

Population = < 20

Scientific name = *Phocoena sinus*

Habitat: Water

Food: Small fish, crustaceans & cephalopods

Why are they endangered: They are endangered because of illegal fishing operations



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Vaquitas

How can we prevent this animal from being extinct?

- Raise awareness
- Avoid mexican shrimp

Interesting Facts:

- Rarest sea mammal to ever exist
- Vaquita means little cow in spanish
- Vaquita use sonar to communicate & navigate



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Sunda Tiger

Status - Critically Endangered

Population = <400

Scientific name = *Panthera tigris sondaica*

The sunda tigers, sometimes known as the sumatran tigers because of where they live now, is a type of tiger that is critically endangered. A century ago, thousands of tigers lived on the Sunda Islands. But now, they can only be found on the island of Sumatra, from the coastal lowland forests of Bukit Barisan Selatan National Park on the southern tip of the island to the dense mountainous forests of the Gunung Leuser National Park in the north.



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Sunda Tiger

Like all tigers, the sunda tigers are predators. That means their diet mostly consists of meat. Their main sources of food are deer, wild pigs, fish, macaque monkeys, tapirs (a small, pig-like mammal) and porcupines. The reasons why sunda tigers are endangered is because they are losing their habitat and prey fast, and poaching is a big threat. That's why we need to help them. Here are some ways to help them.



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Sunda Tiger

How we can help:

1. Protect tigers and their habitat.
2. Build capacity in range states.
3. Reduce human-tiger conflict.
4. Conduct scientific research on tigers to help inform conservation strategies.
5. Promote tiger-friendly policies.
6. Monitor tiger numbers, population trends, and threats to tigers and their habitats.

Fun facts

- It's the smallest of the other tiger species
- They love water
- They've been around for around 2 million years



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Hawksbill Turtle

Population = <25,000

Scientific name = *Eretmochelys imbricata*

Hawksbill Turtles are found mainly throughout the world's tropical oceans usually in coral reefs. They mainly feed on sponges from crevices on the reef but also eat sea anemones and jellyfish.

Status - Critically Endangered



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Hawksbill Turtle

Like most sea turtles, Hawksbill turtles are mainly going extinct because of the loss of their nesting and feeding habitats. Pollution, excessive egg collection and fishery-related mortality also threaten their life however they are most threatened by wildlife trade.



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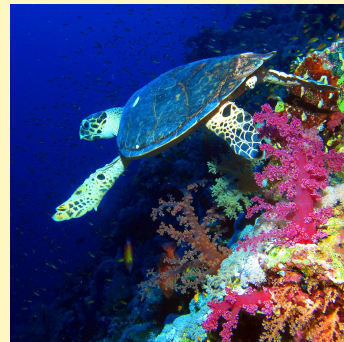
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How we can help:

1. We can make sure that their eggs aren't eaten by predators.
2. We could stop poaching these animals
3. We could stop accidental bycatch
4. We can stop polluting the ocean
5. We could stop light pollution
6. We could protect their habitat

Fun facts:

1. They are named for their beaks
2. They nest four times per season
3. They are the most endangered species of sea turtles
4. They can hold their breath for three hours



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