

Why are maned wolves going extinct?

Maned wolves

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Intro

Maned wolves are the largest canid of South America. Their markings resemble foxes but it is not a fox. The things that Maned Wolves eat are, small mammals such as cuis (wild guinea pigs), rabbits and young viscachas (burrowing rodents) as well as pacas and agoutis, both fast-running rodents. Insects, reptiles and birds are a regular part of its diet but it also eats fruits, sugarcane and other plants. Members of the dog genus Canis: wolves, dogs (both common dogs and dingoes), coyotes, and golden jackals cannot interbreed with members of the wider dog family: the Canidae, such as south american canids, foxes, african wild dogs, bat-eared foxes or raccoon dog; or, if they could, their offspring would be infertile.

Fun Facts about Maned Wolves

- When threatened, maned wolves hair stands straight up to make them look bigger.
- Maned wolves urine has a powerful aroma reminding humans of the way skunks smell.
- Some Maned wolves are located in Smithsonian's Zoo, in Washington D.C
- They use their long legs to spot their prey in the long grass where they live.
- Habitat destruction for agriculture and highways is the main threat to maned wolves.

Observations

The results showed that the females spent more than 60.44% of their time in or near the nest. The males spent 28.90% of their time in or near the nest. Maned wolves were hunted and killed by farmers who believed that the wolves were killing their poultry and livestock. Due to loss of habitat by encroaching human populations, the introduction of certain diseases and a belief that certain of its organs have medicinal healing powers.

Survey

Do Maned Wolves Run In Pack?

0% No-They are not social animals.

What Are Maned Wolves Mixed With?

1%-Canids 2% -Golden Dog, They are mixed with both.

Where Do You Think Maned Wolves Live?

0%-South America, Maned Wolves inhabit a range of different habitats in South America across Brazil, Bolivia, Peru, Paraguay, Uruguay and Argentina.

Is Maned Wolves Dangerous?

1%- No

Do You Think Maned Wolves Are Going Extinct?

2%- Yes

What Do Mane Wolves Eat?

10%-All the above

Recommendations:

I think we should stop killing Maned wolves because they are still animals. Not a lot of people know about them and we should make them known all over the world so people can stop killing them. Also they are not harmful to humans the maned wolves also differs from true North American wolves in diet and temperament.



Resources:

<https://www.endangeredwolfcenter.org/educational-resources/maned-wolf/>

<https://www.whiteoakwildlife.org/animal-programs/maned-wolf/>