

Beyond the  
Panda 熊猫后续



## RZSS Chinese Animal Fact Files

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# Amur tiger 东北虎 dōng běi hǔ

**Chinese name:** 东北虎 dōngběi hǔ

literal meaning - east north (*northeast*) tiger

**Distribution:** north east China

**Habitat:** mixed forests

**Diet:** wild boar; deer and other small to medium sized animals

**Breeding:** gestation- 90-105 days; litter- 1-6; lifespan- 15-20 years

**Size:** length- 140-280cm; tail- 91-110cm; weight- 90-306kg

**IUCN Red List:** Endangered

**Main threats:** over-hunting for Traditional Chinese Medicines; habitat loss

**Note:** You can visit the Sumatran tiger at Edinburgh Zoo.



# Bactrian camel 双峰驼 shuāng fēng tuó

**Chinese name:** 双峰驼 shuāng fēng tuó

literal meaning - double peak camel

**Distribution:** Taklamakan and Gobi deserts

**Habitat:** desert

**Diet:** desert plants and leaves of thorn trees

**Breeding:** gestation- 400 days; litter- 1-2; lifespan- 30 years

**Size:** length- 3.2-3.5m; height- 1.6-1.8m; weight- 450-680kg

**IUCN Red List:** Critically Endangered

**Main threats:** habitat loss; over-hunting;  
hybridisation with domestic camels



# Binturong 熊狸 xiónglí

**Chinese name:** 熊狸 xiónglí

literal meaning - bear, fox-like animal

**Distribution:** Yunnan and Guangxi

**Habitat:** rainforests

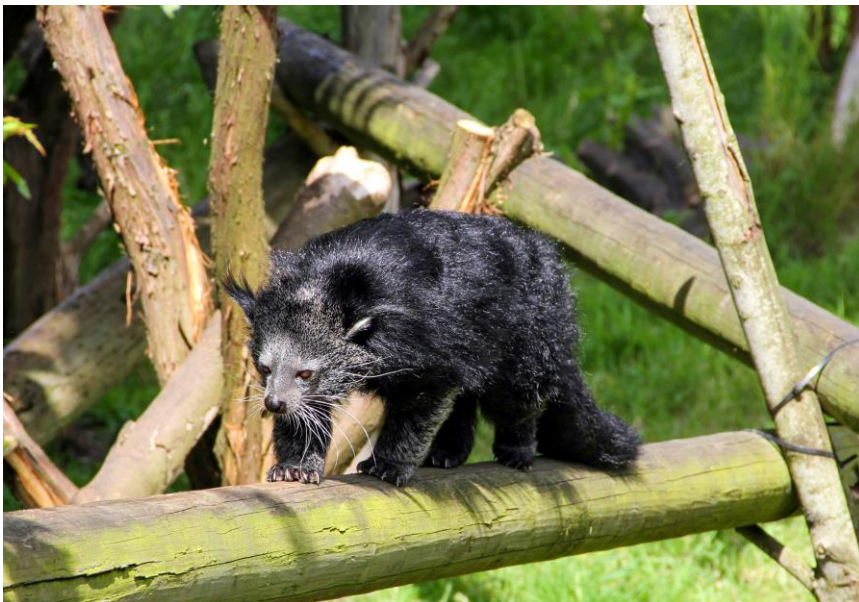
**Diet:** fruit, eggs, leaves, birds and rodents

**Breeding:** gestation- 90-92 days; litter- 2-3; lifespan- 20-25 years

**Size:** length- 70-84cm; tail- 66-69cm; weight- 9-14kg

**IUCN Red List:** Vulnerable

**Main threats:** habitat loss; over-hunting



# Blue crowned laughing thrush 蓝冠噪鹛 lán guān zào méi

**Chinese name:** 蓝冠噪鹛 lán guān zào méi

literal meaning - blue crown chirping babbler

**Distribution:** two isolated populations in south Yunnan and south east China

**Habitat:** mixed forests

**Diet:** invertebrates and seeds

**Breeding:** incubation- 14 days; eggs- 3-5; lifespan- 20-25 years

**Size:** height- 24-25cm; weight 50g

**IUCN Red List:** Critically Endangered

**Main threats:** habitat loss; illegal pet trade



# Common crane 灰鹤 huīhè

**Chinese name:** 灰鹤 huīhè

literal meaning - ash (*coloured*) crane

**Distribution:** east China

**Habitat:** wetlands

**Diet:** roots, stems, leaves, fruits, seeds, invertebrates, amphibians, rodents and small birds

**Breeding:** incubation- 28-31 days; eggs- 2; lifespan- 30-40 years

**Size:** length- 100-130cm; wingspan – 180-240cm; weight- 3-6kg

**IUCN Red List:** Least Concern

**Main threats:** habitat loss



# Giant panda 大熊猫 dàxióngmāo

**Chinese name:** 大熊猫 dàxióngmāo

literal meaning – big bear cat

**Distribution:** Sichuan, Gansu and Shaanxi

**Habitat:** mountain bamboo forests

**Diet:** 99% of diet is bamboo but they will eat fruits and small animals

**Breeding:** gestation- 82-225 days (there can be delayed implantation);  
litter- 1-2 (when 2 cubs, only 1 survives); lifespan- 25-30 years

**Size:** length- 120-150cm; tail- 12-15cm; height- 90cm; weight- 82-125kg

**IUCN Red List:** Vulnerable (re-classified from Endangered to Vulnerable in 2016)

**Main threats:** habitat loss



# Przewalski's horse 野马 yēmǎ

**Chinese name:** 野马 yēmǎ

literal meaning - wild horse

**Distribution:** north west China

**Habitat:** semi desert

**Diet:** grass

**Breeding:** gestation- 330-360 days; litter- 1; lifespan- 20-25 years

**Size:** length- 180-280cm; tail- 38-60; height – 120-146cm;  
weight- 200-350kg

**IUCN Red List:** Endangered - previously extinct in the wild but has now been re-introduced

**Main threats:** spread of domestic forms and interbreeding





# Red panda 小熊猫 xiǎoxióngmāo

**Chinese name:** 小熊猫 xiǎoxióngmāo

literal meaning - small bear cat

**Distribution:** central and south west China

**Habitat:** mixed forests

**Diet:** bamboo, small animals, eggs, berries and seeds

**Breeding:** gestation- 120-150 days; litter- 1-4; lifespan- 10-15 years

**Size:** length- 51-73cm; tail- 34-48cm; weight- 2.5-5kg

**IUCN Red List:** Endangered

**Main threats:** habitat loss



# Small clawed otter 小爪水獭 xiǎo zhuǎ shuǐtǎ

**Chinese name:** 小爪水獭 xiǎo zhuǎ shuǐtǎ

literal meaning - small claw water otter

**Distribution:** south China

**Habitat:** small streams, swamps, wetlands

**Diet:** crabs, shellfish, snails, small fish and insects

**Breeding:** gestation- 60 days; litter- 3-4; lifespan- 15-20 years

**Size:** length- 40-61cm; tail- 29-35cm; weight- 2-4kg

**IUCN Red List:** Vulnerable

**Main threats:** habitat loss; over-hunting



# Snow leopard 雪豹 xuěbào

**Chinese name:** 雪豹 xuěbào

literal meaning - snow leopard

**Distribution:** Himalayan mountains and Tibetan plateau

**Habitat:** mountains

**Diet:** wild sheep, goats, pikas, hares and birds

**Breeding:** gestation- 90-100 days; litter- 2-3; lifespan- 15-20 years

**Size:** length- 110-130cm; tail- 80-100cm; weight- 38-75kg

**IUCN Red List:** Vulnerable

**Main threats:** over-hunting for Traditional Chinese Medicines;  
persecution by farmers for killing livestock



# Takin 羚牛 língniú

**Chinese name:** 羚牛 língniú

literal meaning - antelope cow

**Distribution:** central south west China

**Habitat:** mountain forests

**Diet:** leaves, grasses and bamboo shoots

**Breeding:** gestation- 200-220 days; litter- 1; lifespan- 16-18 years

**Size:** length- 170-220cm; tail- 10-21cm; weight- 250-600kg

**IUCN Red List:** Vulnerable

**Main threats:** overhunting; habitat loss



# White lipped deer 白唇鹿 bái chún lù

**Chinese name:** 白唇鹿 bái chún lù

literal meaning - white lip deer

**Distribution:** eastern Tibetan plateau

**Habitat:** mixed forests and grasslands

**Diet:** grasses and leaves

**Breeding:** gestation- 270 days; litter- 1; lifespan- 16-20 years

**Size:** length- 155-210cm; tail- 10-13cm; weight- 180-230kg

**IUCN Red List:** Vulnerable

**Main threats:** over-hunting for Traditional Chinese Medicines

