



Animal and Bird Checklist:

Name: Aardvark
Type: Mammal
Group name: Aarmory
Lifespan in the wild: Lifespan in the wild – unknown, 10 years in activity
Size: Head and body to 135cm and tail to 66cm
Weight: Up to 82 kilograms
Characteristics: Medium sized, nocturnal, solitary burrowing animal. Resembles a pig but has other animal features such as rabbit like ears and kangaroo tail.
Diet: Omnivore, feeds mostly on ants and termites
Protection status: Currently not threatened
Notes:



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Name: Cheetah
Type: Mammal
Group name: Carnivore
Lifespan in the wild: 10 to 12 years
Size: Height up to 1.4 metre, tail up to 80cm
Weight: 35 to 65 kilograms
Characteristics: Black line from eye to mouth with a slender body and black spotted coat. Solitary hunter and fastest land animal
Speed: Land speed up to 70 miles per hour (0-68 miles per hour in 3 seconds)
Diet: Carnivore eating mostly mammals under 40kg including gazelle, springbok and impala and the young of wildebeest and zebras
Protection status: Endangered
Notes:

Name: Elephant
Type: Mammal
Group name: Herd
Lifespan in the wild: up to 70 years
Size: 2.5 to 4 metres (height at shoulder)
Weight: Up to 6,350 kilograms
Characteristics: Largest land animal on earth weighing up to 1.5 tonnes. Large ears, tusks and long trunk
Speed: Speed – 25 miles per hour
Diet: Herbivore
Protection status: Threatened
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Name: Crocodile

Type: Reptile

Group name: Bask – on land and float – on water

Lifespan in the wild: Up to 80 years

Size: Up to 6 metres

Weight: Up to 225 kilograms

Characteristics: Large aquatic reptiles measuring 6 metres in length with long tails, narrow snouts and teeth that overlap

Speed: Land speed 11 miles per hour and swimming speed up to 18 miles per hour

Diet: Carnivores. They feed mostly on vertebrates like fish, water birds, reptiles and mammals, sometimes on invertebrates like molluscs and crustaceans but will eat anything they can catch – including humans!

Protection status: Not threatened

Notes:

Name: Giraffe

Type: Mammal

Group name: Herd

Lifespan in the wild: 25 years

Size: Up to 6 metres

Weight: Up to 1,270 kilograms

Characteristics: Very tall with long necks, long tongues and beautiful spotted coats

Speed: 35 miles per hour

Diet: Herbivore

Protection status:

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Name: Hyena

Type: Mammal

Group name: Clan

Lifespan in the wild: Up to 25 years

Size: Head and body up to 150cm and tail up to 36 cm

Weight: Up to 86 kilograms

Characteristics: Look like dogs and are very vocal with a distinctive 'laughing' sound

Speed: Up to 35 miles per hour

Diet: Omnivore. Scavengers that feed on leftovers but they are also good hunters and will catch wildebeest and antelope. They will also hunt snakes, lizards, birds and insects.

Protection status:

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Name: Hippopotamus
Type: Mammal
Group name: School
Lifespan in the wild: Up to 40 years
Size: Head and body up to 4.2 metres and tail up to 50cm
Weight: Up to 3,600 kilograms
Characteristics: Recognised by its barrel shaped torso, enormous mouth and teeth, hairless body and stubby legs
Speed: Up to 18 miles per hour over short distances
Diet: Herbivore
Protection status: Populations in decline
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Name: Leopard
Type: Mammal
Group name: Leap
Lifespan in the wild: Speculated up to 17 years
Size: Head and body up to 165 cm and tail up to 110cm
Weight: Up to 80 kilograms
Characteristics: Light coloured velvety long body and short legs with distinctive dark spots. Solitary
Speed: Up to 36 miles per hour
Diet: Carnivore
Protection status: Endangered
Notes:

Name: Lion
Type: Mammal
Group name: Pride
Lifespan in the wild: Up to 16 years
Size: Head and body up to 2 metres and tail up to 100cm
Weight: Up to 191 kilograms
Characteristics: Live in groups. Male lions boast manes – a fringe of long hair that encircles their heads. Loud, menacing roar
Speed: Up to 35 miles per hour for short distances
Diet: Carnivore
Protection status: Threatened
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Name: Wild dog
Type: Mammal
Group name: Pack
Lifespan in the wild: Up to 11 years
Size: Up to 110cm
Weight: Up to 36 kilograms
Characteristics: Long legged dogs with mottled coat of brown, white, red and black. Resemble wolves.
Speed: Speed – 30 miles per hour for a chase of up to 2 /3 miles
Diet: Carnivore
Protection status: Endangered
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Name: Wildebeest
Type: Mammal
Group name: Herd
Lifespan in the wild: Up to 20 years
Size: Up to 1.4 metres
Weight: Up to 250 kilograms
Characteristics: Heavy build with large head, shaggy mane, pointed head and sharp curved horns. Disproportionately large forequarters
Speed: Speed – 35 miles per hour
Diet: Herbivore
Protection status:
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Name: Zebra
Type: Mammal
Group name: Herd
Lifespan in the wild: Up to 25 years
Size: Height at shoulder up to 1.5 metres
Weight: Up to 450 kilograms
Characteristics: Distinct black and white striped coat
Speed: Up to 40 miles per hour
Diet: Herbivore
Protection status: Grevy zebra, the largest of the species, are endangered
Notes:



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