



**Addax** (*Addax nasomaculatus*)

**Size:** Body length, 120 - 130 cm; horn length, 76 - 109 cm **Weight:** 81 - 122 kg **Habitat:** Termit and Tin Toumma region of Niger **Surviving number:** Estimated at fewer than 300; possibly as few as three wild individuals remaining



Photographed by Cyril Ruoso

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No water? No problem. Living in the driest desert regions, the addax gets all the moisture it needs from the grasses, forbs and bush leaves it consumes. To minimize water loss from heat evaporation, the addax huddles in the shade of shrubs during the day; on cool nights it lies in hollows to help dissipate body heat. Nomadic groups led by older females were once a

common sight throughout North and Saharan Africa, but widespread poaching and the expansion of non-native livestock have now reduced wild populations to a mere handful.

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